

State Missions

1978 Allocations For Margaret Lackey Offering

New Missions	\$100,000
Disaster Task Force	25,000
Pastoral Aid	9,000
Church Building Aid	11,000
Garaywa (operation)	45,000
Central Hills Baptist Retreat	55,000
Garaywa Improvements	55,000
	\$300,000

Glendon McCullough Dies In Auto Wreck

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (BP) — Glendon McCullough, executive director of the Southern Baptist Convention's Brotherhood Commission since Nov., 1971, was killed in a head-on, three-car collision during afternoon rush hour traffic in Memphis, Tenn., Aug. 23.

The accident also killed Mrs. Frances "Buckie" Sheffe, wife of the president of a Memphis investment firm. Her Cadillac swerved into the center lane of Poplar Avenue, hitting McCullough's Chevrolet Caprice head-on, overturning and crushing it. The Memphis Fire Department rescue squad had to cut his body free of the wreckage. The crash knocked McCullough's car into another vehicle driven by Leonard Capas, 30, who was only slightly injured.

Funeral services were scheduled for McCullough at 1 p.m. on Aug. 26 at Union Avenue Baptist Church in Memphis, with graveside services and burial at Arlington Cemetery, Atlanta, at 11 a.m. on Aug. 28.

McCullough, who would have been 57 on Sept. 9, had been executive director of the Brotherhood Commission for seven years. He came to the position after serving for 12 years as director of personnel for the SBC Home Mission Board, Atlanta.

The Brotherhood Commission is the agency of the SBC which seeks to in-

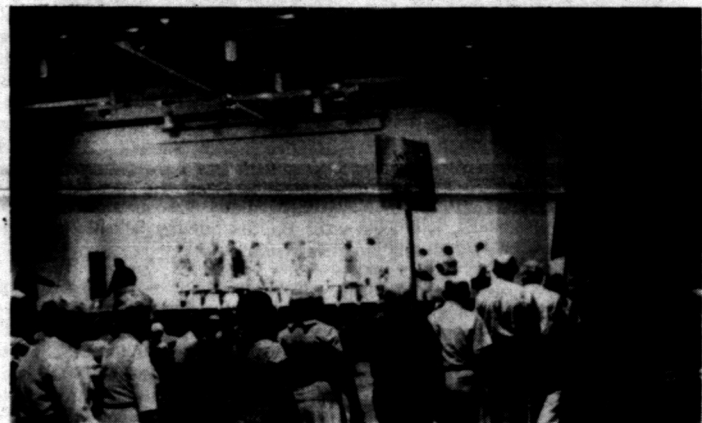


McCullough

volve Baptist men and boys in missions through the Baptist Men and Royal Ambassador organizations. More than 475,000 men and boys are involved in Brotherhood organizations.

McCullough had sought to steer the Brotherhood in new directions, with emphasis on involving men and boys in volunteer mission projects, lay renewal, disaster relief, and flexible alternative organization approaches.

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A Protest March?

No, this is not a protest or a strike. It's the senior adults from First Baptist Church, Pascagoula presenting a musical on senior adults for the senior adult week at Gulfshore Baptist Assembly. A featured speaker for the conference was Chester Swor of Jackson who told the group not to rest on their laurels, but to determine "in what ways can I be more serviceable than in the past." He said that "You can never pay Christ back." He also told them that senior adults should "be a little more patient toward ourselves, toward God, and toward others."

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Camp Garaywa, Sept. 9

Rally For World Missions Includes 20 Missionaries

Twenty home and foreign missionaries will be on hand for conferences during the statewide World Missions Rally set for Sept. 9 at Clinton's Camp Garaywa. All Mississippi Baptists are invited.

One of the missionaries, Gloria Thurman, who works in Bangladesh, will speak to the entire assembly on the plight of the nation of Bangladesh, entitling her address "A Nation in Hunger."

Charles Myers, pastor of Jackson's Alta Woods Baptist Church and a member of the directors of the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board in Atlanta, will deliver a missions challenge and Randel Trull, pastor of Briarwood Drive Baptist Church in Jackson will talk on "Gifts for Ministry."

Bill Wilson, a volunteer at the Home Mission Board, will talk about volunteer ministries.

Music for the rally, which begins at 9:30 a.m. with registration, will be led by Allen Harris, minister of music at Briarwood Drive Baptist Church.

Home missionaries are: Dolton and Martha Haggan, working with the Choctaw Indians in Mississippi; David and Brenda Myers, in Christian Social Ministries; and Paul and Fran Vandercook, who work in International ministries on the Gulf Coast.

Foreign missionaries and their places of service are: James and Zelma Foster and Guy and Lois Henderson, the Philippines (Henderson just joined the staff of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board); Russell and Annette Herrington, Costa Rica; Rex and Sherry Holt, Togo; Frances (Mrs. Harry) Raley and Jerry and Carol Simon, to Taiwan (Simon just became pastor of Macedonia Baptist Church in Brookhaven); Gloria (Mrs. Thomas) Thurman, Bangladesh; and Bob and Delores Magee, Colombia.

Joel Land of the Home Mission Board Department of Special Mission Ministries will lead youths at the conference in a presentation relating their



Trull

Myers



Wilson

Land

opportunities for mission service. Younger children will be led in a conference by the youth of First Baptist Church, Vicksburg. And Carolyn Madison, retired Baptist Sunday School Department consultant, will direct sessions for preschoolers.

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Seminary Sets Oct. 14 For Brogan Inauguration

Richard A. (Dick) Brogan will be inaugurated as president of Mississippi Baptist Seminary, Oct. 14, at 1:30 p.m. at Farish Street Missionary Baptist Church in Jackson.

The inaugural address will be given by Emmanuel McCall, director of the Department of Cooperative Ministries with National Baptists for the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board in Atlanta.

The seminary, which operates a central center in Jackson with 22 extensions covering the state, is aimed at providing theological education for black ministers and laypersons.

It is owned by a group of trustees elected by black and white Mississippi Baptist groups.

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Brogan

MC Receives \$100,000 Kresge Challenge Grant

Mississippi College has received a \$100,000 challenge grant from The Kresge Foundation of Troy, Mich., toward the improvement of computer operations and renovation of certain campus facilities.

The grant to Mississippi College was one of 203 made during 1978 after The Kresge Foundation considered 1,229 qualified applicants. Such grants are generally toward the construction and major renovation of facilities and almost always require the raising of additional money on a challenge basis.

In expressing appreciation to The Kresge Foundation, Lewis Nobles, president of Mississippi College,

pointed out that since the founding of the Foundation in 1924, appropriations

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Subject To MBC Vote

Mississippi Convention Board Approves \$10 Million Budget

A Cooperative Program budget of \$10 million will be presented to Mississippi Baptists in November for consideration at the Mississippi Baptist Con-

vention. It was approved this week by the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board.

If approved by the convention, this

will be the first time for Mississippi Baptists to have a \$10 million budget goal.

In other actions the board approved a 6.5% cost of living increase in salaries for convention board employees for 1979 and established a 3% figure in the budget for merit increases.

The board also handled some house-keeping items such as an \$80.00 monthly car allowance plus 9 cents per mile for consultants and associates not required to drive 10,000 miles per year. These employees have been paid 17 cents per mile with no monthly rate.

The study leave arrangement whereby professional personnel may take a leave of absence after 7 years for study was amended to allow up to 4 months for mission service at the invitation of one of the mission boards. This was done in an effort to augment the work of Bold Mission Thrust.

The board also added a maternity leave policy, and ruled out pastoral aid payments to churches using employees of the Convention Board or directors of associational missions as interim pastors.

The \$10 million budget being suggested for next year is to be compared with a budget of \$8,636,000 for this year. It would be an additional \$1,364,000.

The 1979 budget proposal is divided into two parts, as is the 1978 budget. The basic portion of the 1979 proposal is \$9,331,776. This is to be compared with a basic portion for 1978 of \$8,362,000, which was less than the total budget of \$8,400,000 for 1977. That year the advance amounted to only \$100,000.

So while there would be a total increase in the budget goal for 1979 as compared with 1978 of 15.7%, there was virtually no increase for 1978 over

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The deadline for receiving material for the BAPTIST RECORD has been moved to Thursday, Aug. 31 for inclusion in the Sept. 7 issue. The regular deadline is normally the Friday before the issue date. This Thursday deadline is only for the work day lost because of the Labor Day holiday.

Magnifying Missions In Mississippi

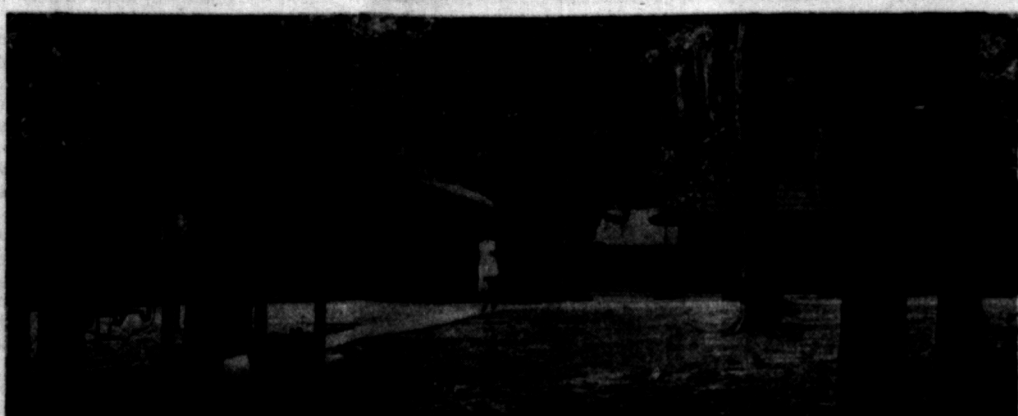
State Mission Season of Prayer

September
10-17, 1978

State Goal \$300,000



\$55,000 of the 1978 Margaret Lackey Offering will go toward the building of Central Hills Retreat.



\$100,000 of the 1978 Margaret Lackey Offering has been allocated for Camp Garaywa.

"Quoted"

Saved Singer B. J. Thomas became a "born again" Christian on January 28, 1976, when, he said, the Lord miraculously cured his debilitating 12-year-old drug habit, and his insomnia as well — and gave him a whole new life. It was, he said in an interview, "amazin." "People ask me why I still sing pop music," he said. "Well, The Lord wasn't makin' an evangelist. He just saved a pop singer."

New York (RNS) — A detective television series in the USSR has depicted Jews as the criminals and villains, according to reports received here by the Greater New York Conference on Soviet Jewry (GNYCSJ). The reports indicate that three successive episodes of the TV series "Delo Vedutsmatski" (It Is In Expert Hands) used villains with Jewish names, accents and stereotyped mannerisms. Soviet investigators were depicted as successfully solving the crime each time. The programs were telecast in June.

Baptist Medical Work Faces Serious Personnel Shortage

By Ruth Fowler

RICHMOND (BP) — Handing the small boy back to his father, the missionary doctor looked at the hopeful parent and quietly and sadly shook his head. Nothing could be done. This Baptist Hospital didn't have the right specialists or the right facilities.

In careful Arabic, the doctor explained that because of apparent birth defects the boy would never walk. The father's face distorted with grief as he left the tiny clinic room — all hope for helping his son faded. No other doctor could be consulted. This Baptist missionary was the only doctor in the area. Southern Baptists offered the only health care within the father's reach.

This scene — with slight variations — could be repeated in many of the 21 countries where Southern Baptists have medical work today. An acute personnel shortage and the financial crunch of rising medical costs have brought the denomination's 132-year-old health care ministry under the most serious pressures it has ever faced.

But for every person turned away, dozens more are helped. Unwilling to give up, the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board and medical missionaries urgently appeal for more physicians who feel called of God to serve overseas. They also place more emphasis on health ministries that require less financial investment.

The personnel shortage is the greatest and most urgent problem. Twenty-nine physicians and an equal number of nurses are needed immediately, says Franklin T. Fowler, the board's medical consultant.

Personnel are needed in part because of the resignation rate among missionary doctors. In the past six years, Fowler notes, more doctors have resigned than have been appointed. This net loss comes at a time when Southern Baptists have committed themselves to expanding medical ministries as part of the denomination's Bold Mission Thrust. Without personnel there can be no expansion, and even the present ministries are endangered.

Doctors resign for a number of pre-

dictable reasons — to care for their aging parents, to meet special needs of their children or because of an inability to adjust to field situations. Additional underlying reasons bring the resignation rate for doctors to about twice the resignation rate of the missionary force as a whole — 8 percent versus 4 percent.

In some cases the workload is contributing factor, but Fowler sees many reasons for the high resignation rate. Some of these relate to the kind of mass medicine they must practice and others to the uncertainty of financial support for a particular ministry.

Because of the personnel shortage, in some countries the only missionary physician at the hospital must remain on duty or on call for months at a time.

In some areas, digging a well may save more lives than providing a new hospital, Fowler says. "Developing a rug industry might mean more in the long run than hours of lecture on good nutrition if there's no money to buy better food," he continues. "In other words, the community health program seeks out the causes of disease and tries to eliminate them while taking care of those that need immediate help."

The board coordinates its medical ministries with its agricultural programs and also with developmental ministries done through relief funds as it tries to meet both physical and spiritual needs of the world's masses.

By expanding these newer health care ministries, Fowler hopes that the Foreign Mission Board can continue an effective medical program less dependent on growing subsidies. But all types of medical ministry require personnel, and this is still a growing concern.

Newsbriefs In The World Of Religion



Seoul, Korea (BP) — Large numbers of baptisms and decisions for Christ continue among the South Korean military, according to reports from Southern Baptist missionaries. About 570 soldiers in one military division, including two battalion commanders, were baptized recently. During the same week 30 Korean Baptist pastors conducted 62 separate evangelistic meetings in which more than 2,200 men responded by filling out decision cards.

Louisville, Ky. (BP) — Branson B. Isley, director of college relations at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary for two years, has been named director of admissions and financial aid at the seminary. In another employee change, Teresa Ann Sanders, an Oklahoma native and former Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board journeyman to Nairobi, Kenya, has been named featured writer on the seminary's news bureau staff.

Carol Stream, Ill. (RNS) — Religious radio programs on 50 stations in Mexico have been suspended by Mexico's Office of the Interior, according to a report in the Aug. 18 issue of Christianity Today. It quotes an item in a Mexican newspaper, Excelsior, which said the government feels religious broadcasts "lend themselves to swindle the public, since some of the programs in question indicate to the radio listener that through prayers he may be healed of such and such an illness, and some broadcasters on stations on the northern border have even asked for financial help, which is not permitted."

Bangkok, Thailand — Her Royal Highness Princess Maha Chakri Sirindhorn, daughter of Thailand's reigning monarchs, presided recently at the opening of a Bible exhibition organized by the Bible Society of Thailand. A newly translated modern New Testament was introduced and copies were available for purchase. What is believed to be the oldest Bible in Southeast Asia was on display, along with other Bible translations and Christian books. More than 20 groups, including the organization of Southern Baptist missionaries in Thailand, displayed Bibles and Christian books. Speakers gave the history of the Bible and told how the Bible Society and Christian work began in Thailand. Five churches presented special music.

Arusha, Tanzania — Delegates to the Baptist Convention of Tanzania recently voted to begin a five-year project to help implement Bold Mission Thrust in their country. Goals of the project, called "Bega Kwa Bega" (Shoulder to Shoulder), include starting new churches in all the major cities, holding revivals each year in every region of the country and adding 35,000 Baptists by 1985. A short-range goal is to start 180 churches in the first four months. Currently, there are 14,000 Baptists in the country.

Call, Colombia — Prayers of thanksgiving were offered for what was described as the "miraculous deliverance" of Southern Baptist missionary Zach J. Deal Jr. of Virginia, who fell almost 30 feet from the roof of a church building he was helping construct in Medellin. Joan (Mrs. Thomas L.) Norman, missionary press representative, reported that Deal escaped with cuts and bruises and a broken rib and arm and crushed left wrist.

New Orleans (BP) — Two men have been appointed to fill vacancies on the faculty of the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary. Waylon Bailey, pastor of the Superior Avenue Baptist Church, Bogalusa, La., will teach Old Testament and Hebrew as an assistant professor. Bailey, 30, is a graduate of Samford University and received the master of theology and doctor of theology degrees from the New Orleans Baptist Seminary. C. Ferris Jordan, associate pastor of the Two Rivers Baptist Church, Nashville, Tenn., has been elected as associate professor of adult education. He has served as Adult Sunday School Consultant for the Baptist Sunday School Board in Nashville.

Raleigh (RNS) — North Carolina Civil Liberties Union leaders charged here that the "prayer in the school" amendment offered in the U.S. Senate by Sen. Jesse Helms (R-N.C.) was prompted by politics and is an effort to boost his chances of re-election in the November elections.

Leaders Named For Vocations Meeting

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (BP) — A number of leading Southern Baptists will appear on the program of the Consultation on Women in Church-Related Vocations, Sept. 20-22, in Nashville, Tenn.

The meeting at the Baptist Sunday School Board is designed to help denominational agencies secure data, examine issues, and serve more effectively by studying the involvement of women in church-related vocations. It is sponsored by 11 Southern Baptist Convention agencies.

"We plan to look at the present involvement of women in church-related vocations, study trends in this area and identify barriers to greater involvement," said Catherine Allen of Birmingham, Ala., who chairs the consultation steering committee. "The consultation is not designed to make specific recommendations to denominational agencies," said Mrs. Allen. "We will look at the subject's biblical, theological, cultural, social, and psychological aspects."

Program personnel include Frank Stagg, professor at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky., and Mrs. Stagg, author and homemaker, leading devotional sessions on "Women in Biblical Perspective;" Ruth Harvey Charity, a Baptist attorney from Danville, Va., discussing government policy and its impact on the employment of women; Andrew Lester, associate professor of the psychology of religion at Southern

Seminary, discussing the psychological effectiveness of women in ministry.

Also on the program are Kay Shurden, a Baptist and English teacher in Shelbyville, Ky., analyzing Southern Baptist literature and women; Glendon McCullough, executive director of the SBC Brotherhood Commission, Memphis, Tenn., moderating a symposium on vocational options now available to women in the denomination, problems and possibilities; Gladys Lewis, a nurse, writer, speaker and former foreign missionary, delivering a wrapup address on human rights; and Jimmy Allen, SBC president and pastor of First Baptist Church, San Antonio, Texas, with an inspirational call to action.

The consultation, a project approved by the SBC Inter-Agency Council, still has some openings for persons who wish to attend. Some 300 registrants are expected.

Board Approves Budget For 1979

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1977. Thus the 15.7% increase covers two years.

The basic portion of the 1979 budget is 11.5% more than the basic portion of the 1978 budget.

In discussing the budget proposal, Earl Kelly, executive secretary treasurer, pointed out that financially 1978 is presenting the most optimistic picture that the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board has ever had. Through August 28 the total receipts through the Convention Board offices for the month had amounted to \$737,992.57. This is to be compared with the total budget figure, both basic and advance, of \$719,666.66 for a month. It is also to be compared with total receipts for August of 1977 of \$692,068.34.

The total receipts for the year through August 28 have been \$5,735,278.55 as compared with the same period of 1977 of \$5,112,927.13. This is an increase of \$622,351.42 or 12.17% for the year, Kelly pointed out.

The budget is divided into five major segments plus the advance portion. For institutions and agencies the total is \$2,254,550 as compared with \$2,008,242 this year. The bulk of this goes to Christian education with \$1,670,000. The Baptist Children's Village portion is \$181,000. The remainder would go to the Mississippi Baptist Medical Center for education and hardship assistance, ministerial education board, Christian Action Commission, Baptist Foundation, Historical Commission, and Mississippi Baptist Seminary.

The Convention Board programs totaled \$3,038,032 as compared with \$2,645,707 this year. The administration and promotion figure is \$300,848 compared with \$279,183 this year.

The Southern Baptist Convention causes are budgeted at \$2,935,146 as compared with \$2,625,668 for 1978. The capital needs figure for next year will be the same as this year, \$803,200. The advance budget for 1979 is computed at \$668,224 as compared with \$274,000 for this year. The biggest items are \$156,310 for Christian Education as compared with \$55,000, \$319,854 for SBC causes as compared with \$137,852,

and \$156,310 for Central Hills Baptist Retreat Development. There was no figure in the 1978 budget for the latter item.

Kelly noted that the budget has risen in five years from around \$5 million to the proposal for next year of \$10 million.

He said that "God has given us unusual resources" with which to meet the goals for Bold Mission Thrust. In his annual report to the Convention Board he said that a fund balance of \$500,000 has been developed as was directed by the Convention Board. He pointed out, however, that none of this fund has come from Cooperative Program sources but rather from the proceeds of wise investments of funds held in escrow.

He also noted that the efforts of the Department of Stewardship and Cooperative Program promotion in its Together We Build program has saved churches of the Mississippi Baptist Convention \$14 million in interest payments.

He said that a Royal Ambassador Camp is expected to be in operation at Central Hills Baptist Retreat by June of next year and that construction is underway on a new Baptist Student Union building at Delta State University at Cleveland.

He announced the first trustees' seminar for board members of Mississippi Baptist institutions for November 28-29. It is expected to be an annual affair.

Board president Raymond Lloyd presided over the meeting. Convention president Bob Hamblin opened the session with devotional thoughts and prayer.

Prior to the Convention Board meeting the Executive Committee had tabled action that would have established a fund raising effort for Central Hills Baptist Retreat, elected Mrs. W. H. Yates of Eupora to fill the unexpired term of Marvin Bibb on the Convention Board, and accepted the invitation of First Baptist Church, Columbus as the meeting site for the 1980 Evangelism Conference.

Bibb has become director of associational missions for Calhoun Association.

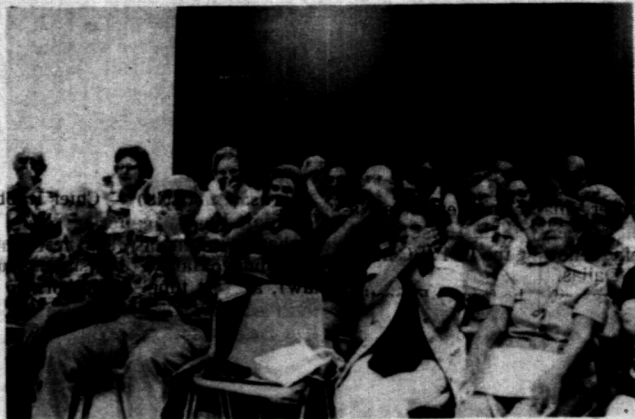
Senior Adult Retreat



The staff at the Senior Adult Retreat at Gulfshore belts out a few bars of "Farther Along." Chester Swor, the speaker for the retreat, had chided the senior adults for not being familiar with the song. Left to right are Bob Sessoms, Church Recreation, Sunday School Board, Nashville; Cortez Hutchinson, Yazoo City; Luther Burney, music director, First Church, Lafayette, La.; W. L. Howse III, Hunt Gerontology Center, Culpepper, Va.; Trish Mitchell, registered nurse, St. Petersburg, Fla.; Kermit King, director, Church Training Department, Mississippi; and Ann Alexander, Family Ministries Department, Sunday School Board, Nashville.



The music team for the Senior Citizens Retreat at Gulfshore was Irene Martin, Forest, and Luther Burney, minister of music, First Church, Lafayette, La.



Senior Citizens in a Bob Sessoms recreation conference, add action to their music.



Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Fannin of Hickory enjoy the banana bread during a break at the Senior Adult Retreat.



Chester Swor, speaker for the Senior Adult Retreat at Gulfshore, chats with two attending the conference. They are Mrs. Howard Mathews, left, and Mrs. J. Monroe Reeves, both of First Church, McComb.



Mrs. Johnnie Stewart, second from left, is president of the Senior Adult Club at First Church, Piquette. She was attending the Senior Adult Retreat at Gulfshore. She is the mother of Mrs. Bill McIlwain of Jackson, right, whose husband is minister of education at Calvary Church, Kermit King, second from right, Church Training director for Mississippi Baptists, was director of the retreat; and Cortez Hutchinson, Yazoo City, left, was his assistant.



Former Mississippian Horace Kerr, now with the Sunday School Board in Nashville, chats with Hildred Paulk of Calvary, Tupelo.



Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Comper of Florence enjoy the company of Ann Alexander, center, another former Mississippian now with the Sunday School Board.



Two retired railroad men share experiences on the terrace at Gulfshore during the Senior Adult Retreat. At left is Harold Archer of Harrisburg Church, Tupelo. T. A. Wesson of Saltville is at right.



Mrs. Lessie Eggerton, right, of First Church, New Orleans, was the oldest person at the Senior Adult Retreat at 86. At left is Joseph W. Oliver of Amory. Perry Webb Jr., the Bible teacher for the retreat, pauses for a visit. He is pastor of First Church, Baton Rouge.

New Church Training Plan Unveiled

GLORIETA, N. M. (BP) — Selected church training leaders were introduced to the training concept of "Equipping Centers" during the Church Training Leadership week at Glorieta (N.M.) Baptist Conference Center.

Equipping Centers were designed by the church training department of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board as an additional way to accomplish the training function in the church.

Churches with existing church training programs may utilize Equipping Centers as additional support to their weekly discipleship while churches without church training programs may use them as their primary training approach, said Roy T. Edgemon, director of the board's church training department.

The project began two and one half years ago as a result of a Sunday School Board trustees' meeting. One of the priorities the board set was to prepare materials to aid churches in the "Equipping of the Saints" (Christians).

Equipping Centers are a series of modules or study units grouped around a subject area and utilizing various learning approaches. There are six subject areas with several modules under each one. The subject areas are "Missions in Evangelism," "Church and Community," "Christian Doctrine," "Family Life," "Leadership" and "Christian Growth."

MC Gets \$100,000 Challenge Grant

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of more than \$311 million have been made to institutions in the areas of higher education, health services, the arts, social welfare, and the care of the young and old. The Kresge Foundation was created solely by personal gifts of the late Sebastian S. Kresge and is not affiliated or associated with any other corporation or organization.

Nobles said the major part of the grant would be used to improve the computer facilities on campus for academic enhancement.

"There is a very pressing need in the metropolitan Jackson area for a program whereby employers utilizing computer facilities can obtain training in computer technology for selection employees on a cooperative education basis," said Dr. Nobles.

"Mississippi College is in a unique position, because of location and quality faculty, to meet this need. Improvement in the computer facilities will enable the College to produce graduates with 'computer literacy' to meet market needs in the various disciplines and at the same time better serve, through inservice and cooperative education programs, the needs of business in the metropolitan area."

Included in the proposed upgrading of the current computer operations of the College is a plan to make comput-

ing available to students 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Each user would be able to work at his or her own pace and discover individually the advantages of using the computer facility.

Currently the computer facilities are used primarily by the Division of Science and Mathematics and the School of Business and Public Administration for academic purposes. Improved facilities would allow the College to expose students in other academic areas to computer assisted instruction in which drill and practice exercises could be initiated by the instructor, taken by the student, graded by the computer with a resultant evaluation of student weaknesses to be worked on in the classroom.

Additional communication equipment and facilities would permit data collection, inquiry and update. On-line processing and immediate access on video terminals would drastically reduce paper work and improve efficiency of operation, both academically and administratively.

In addition to improved computer facilities, renovation is also planned for several of the major buildings on campus. These include Mary Nelson and Gunter Halls, Alumni Hall, Lowery Hall, Self Hall and Nelson Hall.



Bible Drill Winners

State winners in the youth Bible drill competition gave a demonstration of their expertise during an evening service at Church Training Leadership Week at Glorieta Baptist Conference Center. Three of the state winners were Nathan Watson from First Church, New Orleans, La.; Janet White from First Church, Deer Park, Tex.; and Jay Henderson from Petal Harvey Church, Petal, Miss.

Campers On Mission Plan Weekend Meeting

A meeting of the Mississippi chapter of Campers on Mission will take place Sept. 29-Oct. 1 at Sleepy Hollow Campground south of Houston on the Natchez Trace.

A program of youth activities, conferences on campground ministries, worship services, and special music

presentations are planned.

Those who attended the National Rally at Myrtle Beach, S. C., Aug. 4-6, will make reports. They are: The Sid Cruthirds, Ocean Springs; the Olan Rayburns, Gulfport; and the Lonnie Knights, Gulfport.

All interested campers are invited to attend this weekend camping meeting.

T. P. Lott Dies

T. P. Lott, a native of Mississippi, has died in Houston, Texas, where he lived in retirement. He was buried in Houston on Aug. 18.

At the time of his retirement Lott was pastor of Casa Adobe Baptist Church in Tucson, Ariz., which he organized. He also organized the Long Point Baptist Church in Houston.

Brogan—

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Brogan, a Laurel native, is formerly director of the Department of Cooperative Ministries with National Baptists for the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board in Jackson.

He is a graduate of Mississippi College and earned the master of divinity degree from New Orleans Baptist Seminary, Mississippi Baptist Seminary awarded him the honorary doctor of divinity degree in 1971.

Brogan is married to the former Catherine Dunn of Magnolia, Miss. They have three children.

Rally—

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To register for the conference, write: Brotherhood Department, P. O. Box 530, Jackson, Miss., 39205. Total cost for the conference will be \$3, which includes lunch and insurance.

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The Missions Task Worthy Giving

By John Alexander, Director, Stewardship Department

Paul uses the Macedonian Christian's gifts to challenge the Christians in Corinth. He points out several significant truths about the Christians in Macedonia.

Their worthy giving was influential giving. What had happened in Macedonia had a great influence on Paul, and on Corinth as well. He referred to it as the "grace of God bestowed on the churches of Macedonia." Since Paul's time, millions upon millions of Christians have also been influenced by the worthy gift of the Macedonians.

Poverty was turned into riches by their bountiful gift. When God's grace is operative in our hearts, poverty is no excuse for failure to give.

Paul points out that worthy giving is sacrificial giving. The Macedonians did not limit their gifts to their ability to give, but gave beyond their ability with a willing spirit.

The Macedonians not only made a sacrificial gift; they begged Paul to receive it. In so doing they became the first church of record to offer financial assistance to the missionary endeavors of the great apostle. The Macedonians wanted to be a part of ministering to needy fellow Christians. Out of their own deep poverty they shared with the poor in the Jerusalem church.

In the order of giving at Macedonia, giving of self came first. All worthy giving of substance is preceded by the giving of self to the Lord. The gift without the giver is bare! At the base of all acceptable and worthy giving is self-giving. Flowing from a transforming experience with a giving God comes redeemed man's worthy acts of giving.

It is God's will that his children give liberally, regularly, proportionately, and yes, sacrificially!

It is a terrible tragedy for God's work to be forced to limp along on poverty standards while his people preach, sing, and pray as though they were all children of the King. If we are children of the King then we should begin to act like it. We should give, not from our limited resources, but from His bountiful resources.

God's people today will begin to make an impact on their communities, state, nation and world when they begin to act like God's people in Macedonia. God wants his people to give what they have to give, not what they don't have. God's people will have more to give when they begin to believe God and give generously of what they have to give. The giver who gives sparingly will receive sparingly. The giver who gives bountifully will receive also bountifully.

All giving should be done with thanks unto God for His unspeakable gifts!

NAMES IN THE NEWS



graduate of the University of Southern Mississippi, is also vitally involved in the television ministry of First Church, Hattiesburg.

Teresa Ann Sanders, an Oklahoma native and former Foreign Mission Board journeyman in Nairobi, Kenya, has been named Feature Writer in the News Bureau staff of Southern Seminary, Louisville, Ky. A 1973 journalism graduate of Oklahoma State University, Sanders is a first year theology student at Southern Seminary. She plans to serve in publications work as a foreign missionary in the future, work she was involved in as a journeyman for two years in Africa, where she served at the Baptist Publications House, Nairobi.

John Lee Taylor, pastor of First Church, Grenada, will deliver the Bible study messages at the Singles Conference to be held at Ridgecrest Assembly in North Carolina Sept. 1-4. Brian Harbour, of Texas, formerly pastor in Mississippi, will lead the Bible study for the Singles Conference at Glorieta, N. M., during the same dates. Theme for the conferences is "Journey Inward... Journey Outward."

WHERE DO WE BEGIN? might well be the question being asked by William Carey College's annual staff members above as they began sorting out photos and features for the 1978-79 CRUSADER. Named editor is Susan Clark, sophomore nursing student from Leakesville, daughter of Mrs. Dora Clark. Jimmy McFatter, Carey staff photographer, will be in charge of all photographic aspects of the yearbook. McFatter, a recent

Glendon McCullough Dies

(Continued from page 1)

Ironically, his predecessor of the Brotherhood Commission, George W. Schroeder, died of cancer in 1971 at almost the same age — 57 — after a year-long illness. Schroeder retired as the commission's chief executive one month before his death due to his ill health.

Several Southern Baptist leaders praised McCullough for a lifetime of missionary concern and sensitivity to human need.

A personal friend of President Jimmy Carter, McCullough married the former Marjorie Jones, a missionary to Brazil and former Woman's Missionary Union executive, in 1974 in a wedding service at the governor's mansion in Atlanta. President Carter, then governor of Georgia, was McCullough's best man.

Carter telephoned the family of Glendon McCullough. Friday morning, Aug. 25, to express sympathy following his death.

Carter heard of the death while on a raft trip with his family down the Salmon River in Idaho. His call came from the travelling White House in Jackson, Wyo.

The president talked to the family for about 10 minutes, telling the children what a fine contribution their father had made to the cause of Christianity and why they should be proud of him. He said he and Mrs. Carter were very distraught when the news of McCullough's death reached them. He told the children that McCullough was "a loyal and true friend."

The White House issued a formal statement from the president concerning the death of the 56-year-old executive director of the Brotherhood Commission, the Southern Baptist national agency which involves men and boys in missions through Baptist Men and Royal Ambassador organizations.

It said: "Both Rosalyn and I were

deeply saddened to learn of the untimely death of our good friend, the Rev. Glendon McCullough. He was a wise and charitable man whose life and career exemplified the finest qualities of a man of God. For all of us whose lives he touched, Glendon McCullough cannot be replaced. We extend our deepest sympathies to Marjorie and other members of the family."

McCullough gave the Brotherhood Commission high visibility in the national media by inviting President Carter to speak to the National Conference of Baptist Men in Atlanta on June 15, following the Southern Baptist Convention annual meeting. Both Gov. Carter and Vice President Gerald Ford were major speakers at a National Prayer Breakfast McCullough initiated following the 1974 SBC meeting in Dallas.

His first wife, the former Ernestine Kesler, died of cancer in 1969, leaving McCullough with the responsibility for rearing four young children, then ages 6 to 12. Ken, now 19, a student at Texas A & M University, had returned to school only three days before his father's death. Kathy, 21, is a Memphis secretary, and Beth, 17, and Debbie, 15, live with Mrs. McCullough at the McCullough home in Germantown, Tenn., a suburb of Memphis.

A native of Griffin, Ga., McCullough was an alumnus of Baylor University, Waco, Texas, and Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky. He had done additional graduate study at the University of California, Berkeley, and was awarded the honorary doctor of divinity degree by Mercer University, Macon, Ga.

Before joining the Home Mission Board staff in 1959, McCullough had served as associate pastor of Druid Hills Baptist Church, Atlanta; Royal Ambassador secretary for the Georgia Baptist Convention, Atlanta; English

instructor at Seinan Gakuin University, Fukuoka, Japan; dean of men at Baylor University, Waco, Texas; and pastor of First Baptist Church, Hazlehurst, Ga.

Mrs. McCullough and the family requested memorial contributions, in lieu of flowers, to the Brotherhood Commission's endowment fund to finance a nationwide Layman's Training Center McCullough was seeking to establish.

Funeral services were scheduled at 1 p.m., Aug. 26, at Union Avenue Baptist Church, Memphis, Tenn., with graveside services and burial at 11 a.m., Aug. 28, at Arlington Cemetery, Atlanta.

Jerusalem (RNS) — Chief Rabbi Ovadia Yosef, leader of Israel's Sephardic community, said here that, according to Halakha (Jewish religious law), a "test tube" baby born to a married couple is legitimate, provided that the husband's sperm is used.

Catholics Set Marriage Prep Regulations

Beginning in January, a Catholic couple wishing to be married in the Biloxi Diocese must contact the priest who is to marry them at least three months prior to the wedding day.

This is part of a new mandatory Marriage Preparation Policy, which according to its preamble will help fill "a need to help engaged couples find a lifestyle in keeping with Jesus Christ's teaching and example which take marriage seriously and elevates that union even above the natural order."

After the meeting with the priest, the couple will take classes in marriage preparation. Then a series of interviews with the priest will assess their readiness for marriage. If the priest is undecided on their readiness, they are directed to an evaluator team for further counseling.

The new policy does not apply to marriages announced prior to Jan. 1, 1979.

"The current rate of divorce in our country suggests that the institution of marriage has been seriously weakened by ideas which encourage unions that minimize the primacy of a permanent commitment," states the preamble, "of fruitful self-donation, and exclusive fidelity..."

Church Extension Workers Trained

A group of Mississippi Baptists took training in Jackson last week to qualify them as approved workers in church extension with the Cooperative Missions Department of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board.

These persons will train associational missions committees, who in turn, will train church missions committees to establish programs of church extension.

They will also be on call to aid directors of missions, other associational leaders, and church leaders in specific areas of church extension.

Ray Grissett of the Cooperative Missions Department says the training the group received includes development of such programs as chapels, church type missions, satellites, mission fellowships, mobile homes and apartment ministries.

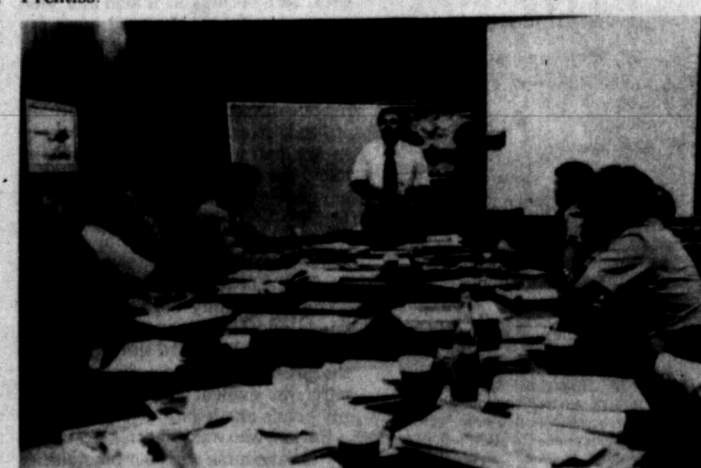
The services of these approved workers are a project of the Cooperative Missions Department and the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board utilizing Cooperative Program funds.

Grissett says these approved workers are being joined by approved workers in other areas such as interfaith witness, chaplaincy, Christian social ministries, and language work.

The workers live in various areas of the state for convenience of consultation.

The workers trained so far include: Robert Hanvey, Hazlehurst; Sam

Turner, Gulfport; Truman Scarborough, Crowder; Lavon Hatten, Winona; Guy Culver, New Albany; Jackie Verell, Houston; John Ira Hill, Meadville; Gerald Carlin, Hattiesburg; Cliff Shipp, Yazoo City; Holmes Carlisle, Forest; and L. B. Atchison, Prentiss.



Home Mission Board staffer Nelson Tilton, led training of the church extension approved workers in Mississippi. He quoted church growth expert Lyle Schaller as saying that church growth depends on three critical factors: the ability to start new churches, the ability to deal with charismatics, and the ability to assimilate people born since World War II. Tilton told workers that people on the move often respond positively to invitations to join a church fellowship. "They may not even hear the word 'church,' 'but what they hear is 'care.'"

SEPTEMBER, 1978	
Sunday School	SUNDAY SCHOOL PREPARATION WEEK, SEPTEMBER 24-OCTOBER 1 See Outreach, July, 1978. ONE NIGHT CHURCH CURRICULUM WORKSHOP Conduct a two-hour review of all Sunday School curriculum materials for all Sunday School workers. A kit, "How to Use Sunday School Literature: a Do-It-Yourself Curriculum Workshop Kit" can be purchased from the Baptist Book Store - \$5.95. STATE MISSIONS DAY IN THE SUNDAY SCHOOL This is a significant day in the Sunday School large group or class sessions to magnify State Missions. Secure help and resources by writing to your state Sunday School Department. Also see Outreach, September, 1978.
Church Training	TRAIN LEADERS TO USE CURRICULUM MATERIALS Conduct a special training program to prepare all Church Training workers in the effective use of curriculum materials.
Church Music	CHOIR ENROLLMENT WEEK An enrollment thrust for all choirs. HYMN OF THE MONTH "We Have Heard the Joyful Sound", Hymn #278, New Baptist Hymnal
Woman's Missionary Union	STATE MISSION SEASON OF PRAYER AND MARGARET LACKEY OFFERING Prayer program for emphasis on missions in Mississippi and offering to help make possible these activities and emphases. Materials mailed to WMU director from WMU office in mid-July.
Evangelism	WOW (YOUTH EVANGELISM) SCHOOLS OR RETREATS This strategy, similar to that of Lay Evangelism Schools, is especially designed to train junior and senior high school age groups to share their faith in personal witnessing. Four sessions, one and one-half hours each, can be done in a retreat setting or at your church. For information, write the state Evangelism Office.
Stewardship	REMINDERS For use in observing Cooperative Program Month in October, order materials from your state Stewardship Department. Send quarterly record of contributions to each church and Sunday School member. Use "Thank You" folders and a stewardship tract.
Church Administration-Pastoral Ministries	TRAIN ALL CHURCH LEADERS INCLUDING TEACHERS Resource: "How to Train All the Leaders Your Church Needs", Baptist Book Store, Church Study Course Catalog.

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Editorials

First-Class Facility...

Trip To Gulfshore Is Rewarding

A trip to Gulfshore was a rewarding experience. The Senior Adult Retreat provided the first opportunity I had found to return to the Assembly grounds since the dedication service on May 5.

Without question, it is a delightful spot. This first summer of operation has proved to be one of excellence in every area.

The view across Bay St. Louis from the rooms, the terrace, the beach, the fishing pier, and some of the classrooms is marvelous. The rooms are very comfortable, and each one has a tub bath, shower, and lavatory. Some rooms have kitchenettes, but most of those attending probably would prefer to eat in the dining hall. The food is

outstanding and certainly not expensive.

The reports I get are that the facilities during this first summer have been first rate. Surely the group that was on hand for the Senior Adult Retreat would have to be classed at top quality.

The one disappointment of the opening summer has been the attendance. Of course, the first year's experience will be profitable. The attendance problems in many cases developed when churches reserved space until it was all booked up. Additional requests for reservations were denied because apparently there was no room. Then just before the conferences on several occasions there were sizeable cancellations. They came too late to either

re-enlist those first turned away or to find other people interested in the conferences. This left conferences that would have been at capacity far short of what they could have been. The conferences had to be held, and in some cases they were a drain financially because of the cancellations.

No doubt, by next year steps will have been taken to remedy this situation. And it seems there could be some doubling up of the smaller conferences. Certainly there is plenty of room to conduct more than one small conference at a time. Thus the necessary overhead expenses could be working for more conferees.

Those who attend the conferences can expect a memorable experience. To spend a week with such speakers as

Chester Swor of Jackson and Perry Webb Jr. of Baton Rouge First Church is to find inspiration of the finest sort. Additionally, the piano artistry of Irene Martin of Forest, a relatively new arrival on the scene in Baptist meetings, at the Senior Adult Retreat, was delightful. Add to all of the above the therapeutic qualities of Bay St. Louis, the comfort of the accommodations, and the outstanding food, and it is an experience not to be matched anywhere.

Frank Simmons, the manager, and his staff surely are to be commended for developing in a very short time a first-class facility that will serve Mississippi Baptists very well and of which we can be justifiably proud. — DTM

Education With A Plus...

Baptist Institutions Are Able

Christian education is education with a plus, and Mississippi Baptists believe this with all their hearts.

Students from all over this state are engrossed in the beginning of a new year in each of the institutions of higher learning supported by Mississippi Baptists through their state convention.

Mississippi Baptists have excellent institutions of higher learning. For

them to have any reason to exist, however, is for them to give their students something more than an excellent education during the students' years on the campus. They do this in an immeasurable and intangible form that will pay dividends in the lives of the students, in the quality of the communities in which they live, and in the ministry of Mississippi Baptists on a continuing basis throughout the years.

Mississippi Baptists have a large number of young people studying to move into vocations of a church-related nature. For many years also the Baptist colleges of Mississippi have supplied trained vocational religious workers for fields of service around the world. This is a wonderful testimony to the quality of the institutions.

The ministry of the institutions does

not stop with the training of religious workers, however. Thousands of other graduates leave the schools and go into hundreds of other occupations as dedicated Christians and church workers because of the instruction and inspiration they have received on Mississippi Baptist campuses.

These Baptist educational institutions deserve the interest and the support of Mississippi Baptists.

Guest Opinion

God Does It Again

By James I. (Boe) Stanley

NOTE: On June 27 Boe Stanley, Southern Baptist missionary in the Philippines, was wounded by a member of a rebel group. Eight rounds of ammunition were fired from short range into the side of the car he was driving. In the following account Stanley relates his impressions and thoughts during the incident and tells how he believes God saved him from a premature death. Stanley has been in Manila since the incident but is returning to his work in Bislig this month.

MANILA, Philippines — God is always in the business of doing things for his children they cannot do themselves. At the same time he is also protecting his children from things man would do to them that he does not want done. These acts of God are known to us as miracles. It is God's extraordinary way of revealing to his children his infinite love and care for them.

Never was I more aware of this added dimension of God's grace than on the morning of June 27, 1978. My prayer that morning was, "God, give us guidance and protection as we seek to do your will this day."

I left my home about 8:45 a.m. with a Filipino pastor-agriculturist, Ceferino Cariaz, to go to Catihan, a Manobo tribal village, where we were to begin a new Baptist ministry. We had stopped at a small public market in Mangagoy, a barrio (town) of about 40,000 people which is only a short distance from where we live, to purchase a few items for our trip.

Closely Observed

As I sat in the car waiting for Cariaz to make the purchases, I felt as never before that I was being closely observed. The 10 minutes we were there

seemed more like an hour. I was glad when we drove away.

Just as I was clearly onto the road, a young man, escorting two small boys, stepped out onto the road facing me. About 50 yards away, he was dressed in a dark-colored T shirt and green trousers. He had a long beard, long hair, and was carrying an Armalite rifle.

I recognized immediately that he was not a government patrol trooper, but I thought perhaps he was a member of the Citizens' Home Defense force. I felt uneasy when I saw he was carrying the Armalite in a ready-to-fire position. I didn't like the looks of what I saw, but because the road is narrow and offers no place to turn around or exit, I had to keep going in the same direction.

The gun he carried was awesome, having the ability to fire at speeds faster than man's mind can calculate. "Maybe if some encounter is about to open," I thought, "I can continue driving and avoid being caught in it."

I have no enemies that I know of and work hard every day to keep good relations with all the local citizens who know me as a Baptist missionary. For many years we have lived with the idea that Americans are not the target of the terrorist movements. Their battles are usually political and ideological.

Hate and Revenge

As my car approached the man, I could see in his eyes hate and revenge. I sensed at that second that I was his target. Now in deep, deep trouble, my prayer of the morning suddenly came back to me in answer: "Fear not, for I will give you guidance and protection."

No sooner than these words rang clear to me, the man pivoted toward me and began firing into my car. He was less than 10 yards away. Four shots were fired directly at my head. Glass began falling everywhere. My eyes were burning as if acid had been sprayed in them. My head hurt, my ears rang. I realized I had been hit. But, thank God, I was still alive!

By impulse my foot hit the brake; I fell into the seat as the motor of my car stalled. Another four rounds were fired into the car directed toward my body. Suddenly I felt a burning and hurting in my back. I had been hit again.

While waiting out the long seconds after the firing stopped, wondering when the next rain of bullets would come, I carefully began moving my hands and feet, trying to assess the damage my body had suffered. Again the presence of God's divine watch-care was evident; I could still move my hands and legs.

Cariaz, who was unhurt, looked up to try to determine what our possibilities were of escaping. He noticed the man had lowered his rifle and was apparently ready to walk away. We could not determine the gunman's purpose in firing at us. Perhaps he didn't know himself.

Waiting another few seconds, still

crouched in the seat, I tried to decide what I should do. Another self-evaluation of my condition confirmed I could drive.

Wondering why I had been singled out, I quietly thanked God that I was still alive. I felt no revengeful attitudes toward the sniper, only pity. Looking back, I could now see him, still with the two small boys, more than a 100 yards down the road.

Warned Of Trouble

I started the car and rushed toward the hospital. Passing through a security gate, we warned the guard of trouble in the barrio. He used his walkie-talkie to reach the main security post in time to avoid what might have been a massacre. The ultimate target was apparently the Philippine Constabulary jail, where political prisoners were being held. They were members of the same group.

As we arrived at the hospital, we could hear the battle between the rebels and PC troops. It wasn't long before wounded and dead were being brought to the hospital. Panic began to grip everyone. Hundreds of people were coming to the hospital for protection.

I reflected later on my experience at the hospital and realized that it had been more terrifying than the actual shooting incident.

The victims were mostly school children. Eager to see what was taking place, they had rushed out into the street for a full view of it all. Too late, they were caught in the crossfire — 15 wounded and two dead, but no casualties of troops or rebels.

At the hospital I underwent X-rays to determine the extent of my wounds. After several hours of waiting, the doctors found that none of the three bullets which struck my body was serious. One bullet had slightly cut my chin, just missing my head. The second bullet had penetrated deep into my left shoulder but was resting in an area that should cause no problems. It would remain there.

The third bullet had cut through the body of the car, through a steel plate supporting the back seat, through my thick leather belt, trousers, shirt, and underwear and come to rest, after slightly cutting my skin, right at my spine in the facing of my trousers' waistband. I only received a small bruise and cut.

Yes, miracle of miracles! God's shield of protection was surely between me and the gunman. God did it again! He answered my prayer. And now I continue living only by the grace of a loving God who said, "And lo, I am with you always."

Book Reviews

LORDS OF THE EARTH by Don Richardson (Gospel Light Publications, \$8.95, 368 pp.) From the author of *Peace Child*, which was a Reader's Digest selection, comes this book about an unusual missionary couple in Netherlands New Guinea. While Richardson and his wife were working with the Sawi tribe they met Stan and Pat Dale, who were pioneering with the Yali tribe, self-styled "lords of the earth" who ruled in the Snow Mountains in Netherlands New Guinea. Richardson later decided to tell their story. His is an unforgettable book about Dale's work with the witchcraft-practicing Yali; about cannibal terrorism and the martyrdom of Christians; about a tragic plane crash and the miraculous survival of a small boy; and about the triumph of the gospel in the hearts of the headhunters.

JOHANNES KEPLER by John Tiner (Mott Media, paper, 200 pp., \$3.50) This biography of a German astronomer is more exciting than fiction. Kepler considered his scientific studies to be another way of looking into God's creation. In some of the books he wrote he became so excited about the universe that God made he broke into song and wrote poems of praise to God — on the same pages with the scientific laws.

Letters To The Editor

The Evangelicals

I didn't understand the guest editorial that quoted the President of Golden Gate Seminary? I always thought Southern Baptists were evangelical! If we are not then we are supposed to be for Jesus said that we were to "Go ye forth teaching and baptizing" didn't He?

I remember when I applied for the Billy Graham School of Christian Writing they asked on the application form "Are you a member of an Evangelical Church?" I didn't hesitate to mark it "yes."

I think the new song "Do You Care" shows that Southern Baptists really do care and that we are an evangelical church. If people really care they don't just talk about it — they do something about it. They want to share their experience of God's love with others. We have a new member in our church who was a Methodist until two weeks ago, because as she said "The Baptist Church is where the action is."

I have no doubt that our church will survive! There is no way it can fail because it is closer to the Bible than any other church in the world! I can't imagine a seminary president thinking otherwise!

Name Withheld by Request

Dear Editor:

When Will God's People Wake Up? I am writing to you, but I would address my comments toward all South-



Faces And Places

By Anne Washburn McWilliams

Missionary To Miskitos

"I'm going to learn to fly in 16 days," Landon Wilkerson told me when he came into my office in mid-July. He had a textbook on flying tucked under his arm.

He thinks in terms of flying, I expect, because that's the only way he can get to the isolated spot on the marshy Honduran coast where he is missionary to the Miskito Indians. (There are probably less than 20 cars in the whole state of Gracias a Dios.)

In Puerto Lempira, the Wilkersons have no television and no telephone. They have electricity three hours a night. Their meager contact with the outside world is by radio.

They minister through preaching, and through agricultural missions; they want to teach the Indians how to grow a more varied diet than beans and rice. Too, Landon's wife, Pat, sees at least 600 patients a month, at her small clinic. She pulls teeth, delivers babies, and sometimes sets broken bones.

On Furlough

The Wilkersons and their daughters, Monika and Mary Frances, ate supper with W. D. and me on July 31, while they were on furlough. (See photo on P. 7.) Their son, Billy, joined the Air Force after graduation from high school. Patrick, who feels that the Lord wants him to be a preacher, is in school in Kentucky. Monika said she plans to return to Honduras this year and will continue high school study by correspondence. Mary Frances' teacher will be Tom Snyder, a fellow missionary.

This family is supported by a group of churches in West Virginia, Kentucky, Florida, and Mississippi. First Church, Yazoo City, and the Agricultural Missions Foundation have contributed to their work.

While staying in the missionary home in Yazoo City for a few weeks, Landon preached at several churches in the county. The Brotherhood and WMU of Yazoo Association gave a steak supper for him and his family; he showed slides of his work.

A Kentucky native, he once was a professional scuba diver off the coast of Honduras. Later, after the Lord called him to preach, he remembered the Miskito Indians, and knew he must go back and witness to them.

Eleven Years Ago

Eleven years ago, when he and Pat first went to Puerto Lempira, they lived in a grass-thatched hut. They found three Baptists in the whole state.

When Margaret Fry and I flew to visit them in 1974, they were living in a house Landon had built on pilings at the edge of a lagoon, to escape the numerous scorpions.

At that time he reported to me that 13 Baptist churches and 14 missions had been established in seven years.

Now in 1978 he tells me there are 2,000 baptized believers in the state of Gracias a Dios!

There are now four ordained pastors who can make the rounds of the churches and help with the preaching, baptizing, and administering the Lord's Supper.

A New House

Last year Landon and several Miskito helpers built a new house for his family. It is high off the ground to provide parking space for motor vehicles underneath. Many windows give it natural air conditioning. Built of hand-made concrete blocks, it faces the lagoon. Four miles from Puerto Lempira, it is on the 41-acre site the Honduran government has given the mission.

They hope to have an open-air tabernacle built on the acreage, for worship services and retreats. Also they would like a new Bible school with dorm and kitchen built there. It would be a good place for exemplary gardens, and rice storage bins.

At present the Bible School for training ministers is in Puerto Lempira. By having a building on the site near the house, the students could plant and keep the school in beans, rice, yucca, and other food stuffs.

Landon does most of his traveling from church to church in an eight-year-old boat, though he does have a pick-up truck and a motorbike, both quite worn. Gasoline is \$1.50 a gallon. Ninth and O Church, Louisville, Ky. has voted to send him a jeep.

He said that he needs a tractor and fertilizer for gardening projects. And he added, "We want to build a good church building in Clupki, close to Nicaragua and on the Caribbean Sea. We have over 60 baptized believers there who meet under the palm trees to worship."

Because of their isolation, the Indians of the Miskito Coast have practically no monetary income. They have few clothes, poor housing, and often not enough food. But they have been very receptive to the gospel message.

Landon did not fly solo, but he did land without assistance by the end of the 16th day.

I believe in Christian education. I believe in both the convention and Christian education. I believe, deeply in my heart, that we as a people, who profess Christ as Saviour and Lord, could make both of them better through a deeper concern for the teachings of Christ and a truer commitment to the stand in life all Christians should take.

Tommy Miles, Pastor
Clifton Baptist Church

The very evangelical Bill Pinson's total address to Southern Baptist editors in Phoenix in February would have taken an entire page of the Baptist Record. I felt Editor Jack Harwell of Georgia had summed it up pretty well in our Guest Editorial of Aug. 10. There seems, however, to have been some amount of misunderstanding. The entire address is in the office of the Baptist Record. When it is all boiled down to the bare essentials, he is saying we must be evangelical or lose members to those who are. At the risk of using too much space, may we quote a paragraph: "Interestingly enough, however, growth continues to come to those who are narrow, dogmatic, and intense in what they believe. What will we do? Will we accommodate to the culture ideal of our country, pluralistic toleration with general apathy in regard to strong religious convictions, or will we hold on to a deep commitment to Christ as the only way and to a strong emphasis on evangelism and the distinctiveness of Baptists. It's a crucial issue." —Editor

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See Miss Ed — For Bibles By The Boxful

By Anne McWilliams
 "Pick something for retirement you are not accustomed to doing." I read that somewhere and decided to try to follow it."

What Miss Edwina Robinson is doing these days is still in the line of missions, but she channels more energy toward distribution of Bibles than into missionary organizations of women.

Her current job title is state coordinator for the American Bible Society, and she gives a lot of volunteer hours to it. It's a job without pay, except for travel expenses, and the satisfaction of spreading the Word.

Practically everybody in Mississippi knows that Miss Ed before retirement was state executive secretary of Mississippi Woman's Missionary Union.

Bibles For Sale

Not only does she go places to give talks and show displays, but she keeps a big supply of Bibles for sale. The carport of her house on Lexington Street in Jackson is usually full of big cardboard boxes from New York.

Though she does have some contact with other denominations, her work has been primarily thus far with Baptists. Usually she goes to churches in the Jackson area on Wednesday or Sunday evenings to speak and set up exhibits.

American Bible Society Bibles are sold at cost, for no profit, and of course Miss Ed's sole interest in selling them is to get the Scriptures to as many people as possible. This year already, she says people have bought \$7,000 or \$8,000 worth of Bibles from her.

She takes a few samples along when she goes somewhere to speak. However, many people come to her house when they find out she has the Bibles.

A Parkway deacon gets ten Good News Bibles at a time and sells them for what they cost him — \$2.50.

A young man who was getting married bought copies of Good News for Modern Man for his entire wedding party.

A woman from Broadmoor, Jackson bought 40 Bibles for her Sunday School class. Broadmoor Church bought Bibles to send to a home for unwed mothers.

Several churches and associations have bought Bibles as gifts for college and high school graduates.

A member of Calvary, Jackson, bought illustrated copies of Good News for Modern Man to give to the internationals working at the Health Department. Others employed at the Health Department saw those copies and ordered more. (The Bible has been translated into at least 1600 languages, and Miss Ed can get copies in French, German, Vietnamese, etc.)

One man, a Presbyterian, gave all his employees Bibles for Christmas.

Ministers of music often use the Scripture booklet, "ABC's of Proverbs," in their work with children.

The Baptist Medical Center gives New Testaments to babies born in the hospital.

Mrs. Judd Allen, who teaches Bible at Jackson Prep, uses the pictorial version of the Good News New Testament as one of her textbooks.

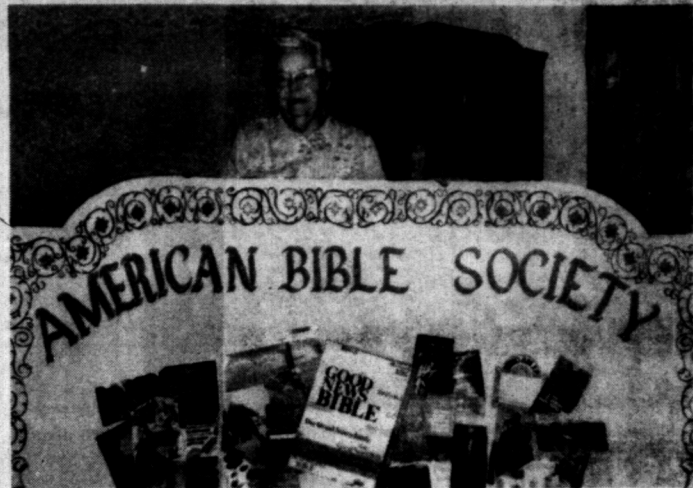
"First Church, Brandon is one of my best customers," Miss Ed said. "The McNairs, missionaries to Spain, teach English in that country. The Brandon church sends them copies of the Good News Bible for use as their textbook."

"Healing Ministry of Christ" is often used in hospital visitation. Another Scripture portion, "Love," is good for church visitation.

Then there are Bibles which Miss Ed sells to people with special needs — such as the Big Print King James.

Associations

Besides sale of Bibles from her



home, she goes to conventions and workshops, missions fairs, etcetera, to display Bibles and tell about the work of the Society.

The Baptist association at Scottsboro, Ala. has asked her to be a guest speaker, representing the Bible Society. She states that she would be available to speak at any association (church, or conference in Mississippi that would want her to do this. (Her travel is paid by the ABS.)

A couple of weeks ago she and her mother, Mrs. Prudie Robinson, traveled to Ridgecrest, N. C., where she displayed Bibles in a Missions Fair in which 10 Mississippi women were hostesses.

At the Mississippi Baptist Convention, state WMU Conventions, Sunday School conferences, and at National Baptist women's conventions she has displayed Bibles.

One week she spoke during chapel at the naval air station in Meridian.

While she was at Van Winkle Church, telling about Scripture cassettes for the blind, one man asked to give his testimony of how much Bible Society records for the blind have meant to him.

Bible Seminars

When she held an interdenominational Bible seminar at the Episcopal church in Laurel, she got a very good response; she showed filmstrips and a movie, in addition to her regular display and talk. The seminar included afternoon and night sessions.

Maurice Flowers keeps a display of Bibles in his office as director of missions for Jones County.

Flea Market

During the spring arts and crafts fair at Mississippi College, two men set up a booth and sold Bibles obtained through Miss Ed. Later they took samples of Bibles to the offices where they worked, and people there ordered others like the samples.

Bible Festival

Miss Ed and David Roddy were originators of the idea for the Bible Festival held at First Church, Jackson, during the Arts Festival last spring. One Sunday afternoon Robert Bratcher (who translated the New Testament section of Good News for Modern Man) was to speak at First

Church. Miss Ed suggested that copies of the New Testament be placed on display. (Plain ones are \$2.50 and those with color photographs are \$4.00) That night \$400 worth of the Testaments were sold. Following that, the idea of a Bible Day and then a Bible Festival grew.

Besides all these activities, Miss Ed has been helping to clear and bring up to date some of the Bible Society's mailing lists in the state, including former members of Bible-a-Month Club.

Others Help

Others in the Jackson area are also helping to place Bibles. A Mennonite man distributes them at the airport and at University Hospital; a Methodist preacher keeps paperback Bibles at his church; an Alta Woods member takes Bibles to Good Will Industries outlets.

ABS and SBC

"There has always been a close relationship between Southern Baptists as a denomination, and the American Bible Society," Miss Ed said.

She has visited the new ABS building in New York several times and has been to Society-sponsored workshops in New York, Wisconsin, Connecticut, and other states.

"My own relationship with the Society has been a very satisfying experience," she added.



Boxes of Bibles are stacked constantly in Edwina Robinson's carport. The pictorial edition of the Good News New Testament, like the one she is holding, is a bestseller.



Camp Garaywa Summer Staff

Front Row: Mary Smith, Houlika; Linda Robinson, Poplarville; Cheryl Allen, Greenville; Stephanie Stringer, Terry; Brenda Tribble, Grenada; Kim Caffey, Lambert; Dianne Bostick, Brandon; Tammy Goolsby, Lumberton.

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Janie Boykin, Mize; Janet Goforth, Philadelphia; Lisa Yarbrough, Tylertown.

Back Row: Marilyn Hopkins, Camp Director, Clinton; Karen Denson, Indianola; Bonnie Cruse, Pontotoc; Trisa McNutt, Coldwater; Linda Stewart, Picayune; Lynn Grier, Saucier; Mary McMillan, Poplarville; Nay Bennett, Jackson.

Plaudits For Courage Mark Brooks Hays' 80th Birthday

NEW YORK (RNS) — A lump rose in the throat of 80-year-old Brooks Hays as, one after another, friends and colleagues testified to the accomplishments of the former congressman and past Southern Baptist Convention president.

The occasion was a reception honoring the religious and political statesman who tried to lead Arkansas and America into a new awareness in race relationships and distribution of wealth.

The reception was given one day before his Aug. 9 birthday at the headquarters of the National Conference of Christians and Jews, an organization in which Hays has been active for 40 years. Bill Moyers, journalist and television commentator, was there filming a documentary on political courage, focusing on the man who lost his congressional seat in 1958 as a result of his forthright stand in behalf of desegregation and who spoke early for general amnesty after Vietnam.

A framed scroll presented to Hays by David Hyatt, NCCJ president, during the reception commended him for "a lifetime dedicated to improving interreligious, interracial and international relations. . . . For his wit, humor and generosity of spirit that has touched millions of people. . . . For giving us the honor and pleasure of knowing him in our lifetimes."

Hays was advisor to Presidents

There are some people who would rather be the head of nothing than the tail of something.

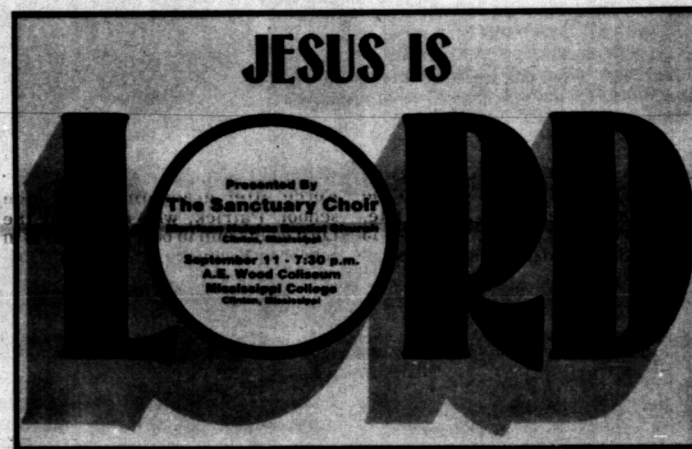
Zion Hill Winners Were From Wesson

The boys of Zion Hill Baptist Church in Wesson were second place winners in the 1978 statewide high school boys softball tournament. Last week's Baptist Record omitted the name of the town that Zion Hill church is in.

Eisenhower, Kennedy and Johnson, congressman from 1942-58, director of the Tennessee Valley Authority, the first director of the Ecumenical Institute at Wake Forest University in North Carolina, assistant secretary of state for congressional relations and

one of the very few lay presidents of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Still, Hays said after the reception that he didn't deserve the plaudits given. "I was numbed by those things," he said.



Morrison Heights To Present Musical At MC Coliseum

"The adult choir of Morrison Heights Church, Clinton, will present the musical, "Jesus is Lord," on Monday night, Sept. 11, in the A. E. Wood Coliseum at Mississippi College, at 7:30 p.m.

The program is under direction of Bill Barnes, minister of music at Morrison Heights. The choir will be accompanied by a 30-piece orchestra.

Barnes states that this musical by Otis Skillings is "a musical about Jesus Christ being the Lord of Creation, the Lord of our lifestyles, the Lord of our church, the Lord of the world, and the Lord of all."

The music, which the choir will sing from memory, is in a familiar style, mixing gospel with Negro spiritual and folk.

Slides prepared and presented by Robert Wall of the Mississippi College faculty will be a part of the program.

Three people will give "testimonies of joy." They are Marjean Patterson, executive director, Mississippi Baptist Woman's Missionary Union; Bill Durr, chairman of deacons, Morrison Heights Church; and Bob Magee, music missionary to Colombia, and former minister of music at Morrison Heights.

Lighting and effects will be handled by Richard Ritchie of the Media Center at Mississippi College. Art work is by Bob Dunaway of the Art Department of Hinds Junior College.

"Those planning to attend should arrive early to be sure they get a seat," Barnes said. There will be no admission charge.

Ridgeland Church Has Pastor Appreciation

"First Baptist Church, Ridgeland," had Pastor Appreciation Day Aug. 5 in honor of the pastor, W. Everett Martin.

The effort was originated by the Brotherhood of the church; and Larry Bouchillon, Sunday School director, was the coordinator. It was kept a surprise to the pastor until he stood to preach that morning.

The committee working out details had obtained a pastor friend of Martin's, Wayne Styres, to deliver the message for the morning; and he had flown from his pastorate in Tuscaloosa, Ala., the Mt. Olive Baptist Church, to be there.

The songs used in the services for the day were those known to be the pastor's favorites. Special music was presented by his son-in-law, Randy Weeks. The flowers were his favorites, red roses.

At the end of the morning service Martin was presented a bound collection of personal letters from members of the congregation. There was also a love offering from the congregation. Dinner on the grounds followed the morning service.



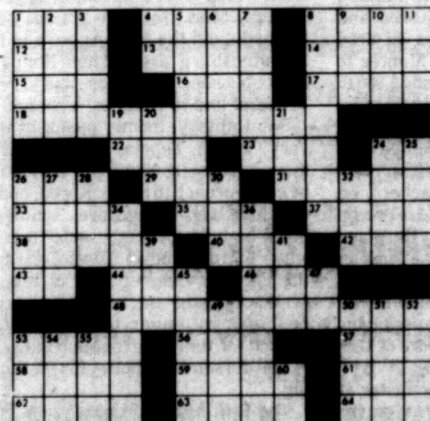
Appreciation At Ridgeland

W. Everett Martin, pastor of First Church, Ridgeland, stands second from right on Pastor Appreciation Day at the Church. Mrs. Martin is beside him. At right is Wayne Styres, who delivered the

message that day; and at left is Wayne Kelley, a pilot who flew Styres from Tuscaloosa, Ala., to Ridgeland. They were gathered during dinner on the grounds.

Bible Puzzle Page

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ACROSS

- 1 Made of gopher wood (Gen. 6:14)
- 4 Attempt (Matt. 26:67)
- 8 They split in it (Matt. 26:67)
- 13 Mighty man (1 Ki. 1:8)
- 15 State
- 16 Jug
- 17 — Buddhism
- 18 Christian, for one
- 19 Insects
- 20 "ruler and —" (Acts 7)
- 22 Poem
- 23 He shall be a serpent (Gen. 49:17)
- 24 Compass reading: abbr.
- 26 The reciprocal of pi
- 29 All unrighteousness (1 John 5:17)

DOWN

- 1 "house of —" (1 Ki. 16)
- 2 Old Hebrew unit of length
- 3 Butter producers (Deut. 32:14)
- 4 King of Egypt (2 Ki. 17:4)
- 5 "through —" (Deut. 16)
- 6 Old Irish rank
- 7 — of education
- 8 "—, believe only" (Luke 8)
- 9 Beard
- 10 Whale: comb. form
- 11 Vetch
- 12 Attention word
- 13 Skin rashes
- 14 Sense organ
- 15 — the cat
- 16 Slave
- 17 King of Midian (Num. 21:8)
- 18 Musical instrument
- 19 Inner: prefix
- 20 Joshua's father (Judg. 2:8)
- 21 Greek letter
- 22 "Abraham had —" (Gal. 4)
- 23 A believer (Acts 17:34)
- 24 Former federal agency: abbr.
- 25 Skill
- 26 Leather
- 27 Ending for nine or ten
- 28 Tree trunk
- 29 Peaceful bird
- 30 English river
- 31 Tropical disease
- 32 City (1 Sam. 22:19)
- 33 Bird
- 34 — of roses
- 35 Double time: abbr.

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Laurel Team Explores Ways To Minister In Nicaragua



Missionary Stanley Stamps, Dr. Robert Holifield, and Dr. Frank Gilbert, dentists, visit the Baptist Cultural Center in Managua, Nicaragua.

A four-man team headed by Robert Holifield of Laurel has returned from a four-day trip to Nicaragua. The men were opening doors for future dental/evangelism ministry in that Central American country.

Holifield is president of the Honduras Baptist Dental Mission based in Laurel. Eighteen teams have ministered for one or two weeks in Honduras since 1974.

Feeling strongly that God is leading an expansion of this ministry, the Honduras Baptist Dental Mission began months ago working with James Cecil, associate consultant for laymen overseas, FMB, and Stanley Stamps, missionary in Managua, Nicaragua, to determine the best way to begin such a ministry.

The four-man team also included Bert Jones (associate pastor of First, Laurel), Maurice Flowers (director of missions for Jones Association), and Frank Gilbert (dentist from Tennessee).

They went to Managua where Stamps had arranged meetings with

medical and administrative leaders of the Nicaragua Baptist Convention.

"The team was impressed with the ministry of physical relief, preventive medicine, and medical training already being accomplished by the Convention," states Jones.

"Many areas were explored where the ministry of the Laurel-based group could be of assistance in dental ministry, opening doors for future Baptist work as well as serving as growth agents for existing work."

The team worshipped in First Baptist Church of Managua, Mount Horeb Baptist Church in Managua, and Philadelphia Baptist Church in Masaya. Jones and Flowers preached in the latter two churches, with Stamps as interpreter.

"The Honduras Baptist Dental Mission which grew out of Laurel, First Baptist Church is now anxiously awaiting invitations to assist the Nicaragua Baptist Convention in meeting physical needs and in bringing persons into an experience of salvation in Jesus Christ," added Jones.



Dr. Robert Holifield, dentist from Laurel, and Dr. Parajon, medical doctor, have a chance to talk at Baptist Seminary in Managua.

C.P. Giving Is Ahead Of 1977

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (BP) — Giving through the national Southern Baptist Cooperative Program totals \$47,715,260 through the first 10 months of the 1977-78 fiscal year—10.57 percent ahead of last year's pace.

But total giving on a national level for the nation's largest Protestant body amounts to \$94,203,189, an increase of nearly \$9.6 million, or 11.34 percent, over last year. The total giving figure includes the Cooperative Program amount and another \$46,487,929 in specially designated gifts.

The national Cooperative Program figure (\$47,715,260) totals about one third of the amount received by state Baptist conventions from Southern Baptist churches. The state figures, in turn, amount to about 8 to 10 percent of the collection plate dollar in the churches.

The specially designated gifts, over \$5 million more than last year, show a 12.14 percent increase.

For the month of July, 1978, the 10th month in the fiscal year, national Cooperative Program totaled \$4,858,870, a 6.56 percent increase over July, 1977, and designated giving was down 24.74 percent to \$995,954.

School Directed To Give Degree To Homosexual

LEXINGTON, Ky. (RNS) — A circuit court judge has directed Lexington Theological Seminary to award a degree to a homosexual student who was barred such recognition in 1976.

David Vance, the student, had sued to force the seminary to grant him a degree and to pay him damages. He had completed requirements for a Master of Divinity degree.

Judge Charles Tackett reported that he did not reach his decision on religious grounds, but rather on a breach of contract by the seminary and on its failure to state its standards and requirements with reasonable clarity.

The degree could not be denied to Mr. Vance, he held. If the seminary wishes to deny degrees to homosexuals, adulterers, agnostics, thieves or others, he said, then it should so state in its catalogue.

"Let students or prospective students know what is expected or what will result in a denial of a degree or admission," Judge Tackett ruled.

Phrases used in the seminary's catalogue — like "Christian ministry," "Gospel transmitted through the Bible," and "display traits of character and personality which indicate probable effectiveness in the Christian ministry" — do not adequately define graduation requirements, the judge added.

Revival Results

Blue Lakes Church, Lambert: August 13-16; Paul Bryant, pastor of Cross Roads Church, Bells, Tenn., evangelist; two professions of faith, nine rededications; Paul Blanchard, pastor.

Colorado Baptists Buy Retirement Highrise

DENVER (BP) — A 100 apartment, 10-story highrise building for older-retired adults has been purchased for \$1,235,000 by the newly formed Colorado Baptist Manor, Inc., a non-profit subsidiary of the Baptist Foundation of Colorado.

William H. Landers, president of the board of directors for the foundation, said the 12-year-old building was purchased because of its potential for ministry to older adults—"including retired ministers and their spouses, and laypersons."

Landers said he expects the apartment building to become a "retirement ministry center for Colorado Southern Baptists." In fact, he noted, "A regular program of ministry is already in the works for older adults, which will be open to building residents and persons from the metro area."

He stressed, "This is not a nursing home and will not have a nursing home or hospital capability. There are nursing homes nearby, but these are not related to the Manor or Foundation."

N. C. Baptists Review Retirements, Doctrine

ASHEBORO, N.C. (BP) — The executive committee of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina has authorized a special study committee to make recommendations for extending mandatory retirements for convention staffers from 65 to 70, effective Jan. 1.

General Secretary-Treasurer Cecil A. Ray, in discussing the matter with executive committee members, asked that several committee members come from that group as well as knowledgeable people from outside their ranks. "All of our insurance programs are predicated on persons retiring at age 65," he said. Other state conventions are in the process of rewriting their policies, too, Ray said.

In other action, the committee, at

the suggestion of C. Mark Corts, Winston-Salem, N.C., pastor and president of the state convention, agreed to request doctrinal viewpoints from prospective staffers of the convention. They will be asked to write no more than a one page statement of the doctrines they feel are important for the position for which they are being considered.

The committee agreed also to poll messengers at the November convention in Raleigh for their feelings for a weekend meeting of the annual state convention. The Wake Forest University Baptist Student Union has suggested the possible weekend convention to attract more lay persons and to allow collegians opportunities to fill in for pastors at their churches while at the convention.

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			University	Dr. Craig Ratliff
			First, Petal	Rev. W. A. Fordham
			(See University of Southern Miss.)	
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(P.T.) — Part-time Director

*Churches listed are near campuses. Allowable space does not permit listing all churches that students regularly attend.

Submitted by State Department of Student Work — Rev. Ralph B. Winders, Director



Dr. Parajon, medical doctor and Nicaraguan Baptist Convention leader, and two Nicaraguan Baptist Convention nurses meet with the Laurel group at Nicaraguan Baptist Seminary.

Mantee Preaching Missions Result In 1,000 Professions Of Faith

By Anne McWilliams

A trust fund established ten years ago by First Baptist Church of Mantee, Miss., to send ministers on preaching missions, has since resulted in more than 1,000 professions of faith in at least eight countries, and the building of two new churches, in Korea and Zambia. Besides that, it has inspired the 350-member church at Mantee to give \$5,000 to Lottie Moon and \$5,000 to Annie Armstrong, within a few months' time.

In November, 1978, the Mantee Gospel Ministry Fund will send two men, both Spanish-speaking preachers, on mission to Nicaragua. The Foreign Mission Board helped select the place for this year's mission, as it has in many of the other Mantee projects.

The two going to Nicaragua are Bill Ferrell of Raleigh, former missionary to Argentina, and Doyle Moore of Dickinson, Tex.

Paul Thibodeaux, the new pastor at Mantee (who graduated from New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary in May, 1978) would ordinarily have gone on the 1978 mission, but there was a special need for preachers who could speak Spanish. Thibodeaux will possibly go next year, or whenever there is another request for a preaching mission.

The trust fund, originally \$22,000, was set up in 1968, its net income to be applied yearly to pay all or part of the expenses of any ordained minister on any preaching mission designated by the trustees of the fund. The deacons of the church are the trustees, and a majority vote of the deacons can decide how the fund is to be administered. The Mantee pastor may be chosen, or other ordained ministers.

Part of the yearly net income is used for a preaching mission, and part of it is added to the principal. Since 1968, the original \$22,000 has grown to \$40,000. For the Nicaragua mission, \$2,000 will be used, according to Alonzo Skelton, chairman of deacons.

Larry Kennedy, pastor at Mantee in 1968 when the fund was set up (now pastor at First Church, Laurel, Miss.) went on preaching mission to South Africa in 1968. The following year, Pastor Estus Mason and Mrs. Mason went from First Church, Crystal Springs, Miss., to South Africa. Both Kennedy and the Masons were in the Johannesburg area. Then Kennedy went on a second mission, this time to Trinidad and to Caracas, Venezuela.

Bob Ramsay, former pastor of Calvary Church, Tupelo, Miss., received money from the Mantee trust so that he could preach in Seoul, Korea, and in Calcutta and Bangalore, India. In Seoul he held a revival under a tent; when he returned to Tupelo and told the Calvary congregation of his experiences under the tent in Seoul, the people were eager to help build a church for that congregation in Korea — and did send the money for the building.

The fifth Mantee mission sent Ray Robles to Monterrey, Mexico.

By then Fred Womack was pastor at Mantee (now he is pastor of Wildwood Church, Clinton, Miss.) He went to preach in Utah, in the area of Salt Lake City. (Also the church sent him on a 22-day trip to the Holy Land.)

Womack says, "Such a mission trust fund is a good thing for a church to have. Going to another country or area to preach gives the pastor an opportunity to see things in a different aspect. When he broadens his aspect of missions he in turn can pass his broadened outlook on to the church members."

For a second preaching mission to Monterrey, Mexico, sponsored by Mantee, Angel Martinez was the preacher.

While Dennis Johnsey was pastor at Mantee, he went on two preaching missions the same year — the first (in 1977) to Mindanao in the Philippines and the second to Zambia, in Africa. Before he left for Zambia, the pastor was given some money from a Mantee

church member and told that it was for a church building in Africa, wherever he found the greatest need for one. Johnsey found such a place and gave the money to the congregation. (He is now pastor at First Church, Summit, Miss.)

Judge R. P. Sugg, now of Jackson, Miss., helped in the legal work of setting up the trust fund in 1968. The church adopted a resolution when the fund was established, saying that the primary function of the Mantee Gospel Ministry Fund is "to carry the message of Christianity to the world and to establish a practical means of putting into effect the Great Commission as expressed by Jesus Christ in Matthew 28:19-20," and adding, "It is the desire of the members of this church to share the blessings of Christianity with people everywhere."

Even before 1968, the members at Mantee had been interested in preaching missions, for they sent Bill Baker and Mrs. Baker (he was pastor at Mantee 1960-64 and is now pastor at First Church, Clinton, Miss.) on a ten-day preaching mission to Montana, while Mississippians were holding simultaneous revivals there.

The missionary vision of the church has grown steadily from year to year. In December of 1977 the congregation gave \$5378.44 to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. Deciding they would do as well for home missions as they had done for foreign, the members gave \$5,000 to the Annie Armstrong Offering in the spring of 1978.

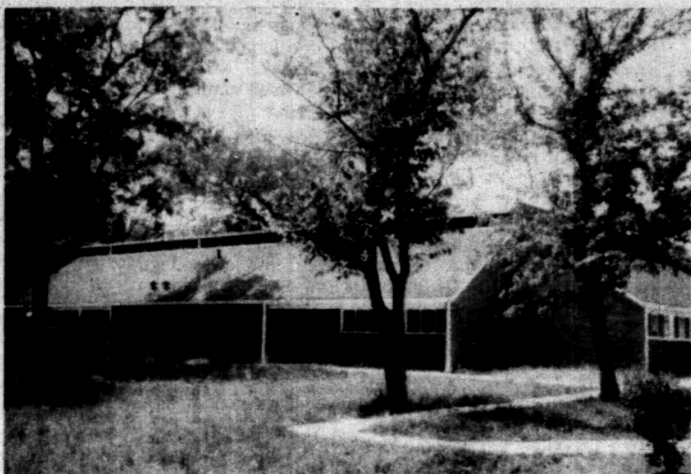
And reports from all the preaching missions show a total of 1,000 professions of faith in the past ten years.

Iloilo City, Philippines — New Baptist work started recently on Panay Island in central Philippines when 26 students and professionals met together and formed First Southern Baptist Church of Iloilo City.

Just For The Record



THE JOY SINGERS OF INDIAN SPRINGS CHURCH, LAUREL, presented a musical July 30 at the evening worship service. The 30-voice choir is under direction of Garry D. Meador, minister of music. The group left Monday morning, July 31, for a six-day trip to Texas and New Mexico where the musical was presented in both states. Other highlights of the trip included visits to Carlsbad Caverns and Six Flags over Texas. Terry Booth is pastor and Jay Slaughter and Debbie Hehn are summer youth workers.



DEDICATION SERVICES were held July 30 for the new Family Life Center of FIRST CHURCH, TERRY. The Family Life Center, built at an approximate cost of \$275,000, has a regulation size basketball court, tennis and volleyball courts, accommodations for skating, a crafts room, an area for table games, and nine rooms for educational use. There is also an office and generous storage space in the building. The center is equipped with a modern kitchen. Evans and Eley were the architects; construction was by Belk Construction Company. The building committee bottom photo, was composed of Bill Bell, chairman; Mrs. Keith Davis, Mrs. C. R. Dixon, R. T. Stancil, and Howard Granberry. Wayne Coleman is pastor.

First Church of Helena, Jackson County, has scheduled homecoming services for September 10. The church will be celebrating their 20th anniversary. Bob Storie, Gautier, will bring the morning message, and B. E. Berry, Morgan City, La., will bring the afternoon message. Dinner will be served on the grounds. Special music will be presented in the afternoon by a group from Clarke College, and by Calvin Permenter of Clarke. Bill Barton is interim pastor and Lamar Calahan is minister of music.

Oak Grove, Simpson County, held Homecoming Day on Aug. 27. W. P. Blair of Tylertown and Tommy Dan Walker were speakers for the morning service. Barney Padgett was the speaker in the afternoon service. Local people were in charge of the singing. Dinner was served on the grounds.

Emmanuel Church Greenville, will have Homecoming Day Sept. 17. Robert H. Perry, pastor of First Church, Raleigh, and a former pastor of Emmanuel (1958-1967), will preach during the 11 o'clock service. Tim Edwards and the Crusaders will present gospel singing at 1:30 p.m. Dinner will be served at the church. James Montgomery is the Homecoming Committee chairman; Hugh A. Martin is pastor.

Crowder Church recently held Pastor Appreciation Day, honoring the pastor, Truman Scarborough. Some of the pastor's favorite hymns and scriptures were used in the service. Steve Warren, music-youth director, was in charge. Church leaders, including representatives of the children and youth groups, spoke of the pastor's ministry at Crowder over the past five years. Gifts were presented. They included a tie tac, tape recorder, box of letters, a check, and a plaque of appreciation. Zion Church, Pontotoc, Scarborough's former church field, sent a check for the purchase of books.

Mrs. Scarborough is the former DeLores Barber of Stantonville, Tenn. Scarboroughs have two daughters, Aletha and Hamah. The pastor is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Scarborough of Harrisville. Lunch was served at the church.

Beirut, Lebanon — A Baptist church in Beirut suffered a direct hit during a recent skirmish between Christian military and Syrian peace-keeping forces. No one at the church was injured, but some Baptist families have lost their homes in other fighting. Local Baptists and missionaries are using the church's basement as a bomb shelter.

Beverly Named Emeritus

O. B. Beverly was named pastor emeritus by members of Woodville Church on Sunday, Aug. 13. Beverly retired as pastor of the Woodville Church in 1976 after 26 years there. The morning service on Aug. 13 was devoted to the occasion, with the singing of Beverly's favorite hymns and songs. Mrs. Eddie Gerald Davis, chairman of activities for the day, read an account entitled "Reflections on the Ministry of Dr. O. B. Beverly — Woodville Baptist Church — 1950-1976." The narrative reminded the capacity crowd of the physical, spiritual, and personal highlights of Beverly's ministry in Woodville Church.

Ben Carlisle, current pastor, then presented to Dr. and Mrs. Beverly, on behalf of the church, a plaque commemorating the special occasion. Mrs. Ann Wheeler provided special music. Beverly brought a message containing his personal reflections and hopes for Woodville Church. The large crowd was invited to the fellowship hall for a pock-luck dinner.

BIBLE PUZZLE PAGE ANSWERS

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"Let us therefore follow after the things which make for peace" (Rom. 14:19).



Natchez Children Camp At Tiak-O'Khata

Parkway Church, Natchez, held its fifth annual Junior Camp at Lake Tiak-O'Khata in Louisville Aug. 14-17. One hundred and two elementary school-age children and their counselors participated. Bible study, worship services, and varied recreational activities rounded out the day. Competition was held in tennis, swimming, diving and basketball free-throw, with 32 trophies awarded to winners and runners-up in 16 categories. Gerald Buckley, pastor; Phil Myers, minister of education; and Buddy Casey, minister of music, planned and coordinated the camp activities.

Staff Changes



Leon Ballard and his family were honored at a reception Aug. 13 in the fellowship hall of First Church, Lexington. Ballard has resigned to assume the pastorate at Parkview Church in Alexandria, La. Shown from left are: Mrs. Margaret Ballard, Sherry Ballard, Rick Ballard, Ballard (holding silver serving tray presented by the local church), and Mike Lammons, chairman of deacons.

G. Ray Ming has accepted the pastorate of Highland Church, Vicksburg; he moved there from First Church, Cantonment, Fla., where he had served for six years. Ming is a native of Louisville, Miss. He received the B. S. degree from Mississippi College, and Master of Theology degree from the New Orleans Baptist Seminary. His Mississippi pastorates have included Enon Church, Louisville; Bay Springs Mission; Oakdale Church, Brandon; and New Zion Church, Tylertown.

He is married to the former Margaret Rogers and they are the parents of five children. David Hadley, Jr., youth director at Madison Church, is leaving to go to Southwestern Seminary in Fort Worth, Tex. He has served the Madison Church for one year. His wife, the former Martha Kyle Hadley, is a registered nurse. Hadley is a graduate of Belhaven College and was recently licensed by Woodland Hills Church, Jackson.

First Church, Pass Christian, has called Richard Bradley as pastor. Bradley is married to Brenda Johnson. Both he and his wife are native Mississippians. They have a daughter, Heather, six months old. The church is renovating the pastory.

Jim Hess has accepted a call to First Church, Pontotoc as minister of music. He and Sheila, Courtney, and Dawn will be moving to Pontotoc this week. They are from Mobile. He attended Clarke College and graduated from Mobile College and New Orleans Seminary, with a Master of Church Music degree from the latter. Gordon H. Sansing is the pastor.

Wayne Berry has been called as pastor of Galilee First Church. He will begin his services there on Sept. 6. He and his wife have two children, Rhonda and Robbin.

James Bradfield has resigned as pastor of Shifalo Memorial Church, Gulf Coast in order to move to Ohio.

Nolan Mapp, former pastor of Unity Church of Jackson County, has recently moved to the pioneer mission field in Washington. He has been called as the pastor of First Baptist Church of Montesano, Washington. He can be contacted through there at P. O. Box 653 (phone 1-206-249-5904).

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Revival Dates

Trinity Church (Neshoba): Aug. 27-Sept. 1; services at 7 p.m. Billy Ray Thomas, pastor of Immanuel Church, Natchez, evangelist; Donald Moore, music evangelist of Aberdeen, singer; Grady Collins, pastor.

First, Grenada: Sept. 17-20; Joe McKeever, pastor, First, Columbus, evangelist; Rick Munn, music director; John Lee Taylor, pastor; Sunday at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; during week at 7 a.m. and 7 p.m.

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Missionary News



Landon and Pat Wilkerson, pictured with their daughters, Monika and Mary, have completed furlough and returned to Honduras. Their address is Mision Bautista, Depto. Gracias a Dios, Puerto Lempira, Honduras, C.A. (See story, "Missionary to Miskitos," on p. 4)

Mrs. Nina Salyer, mother of Mrs. W. Guy Henderson, missionary to the Philippines, died Aug. 2 in Sinton, Tex. Currently in the States on furlough, Mrs. Henderson may be addressed at 2334 Coronet Pl., Jackson, Miss. 39204.

Daniel Platt Morris, missionary journeyman, has arrived on the field (address: 169 Boundary St., Kowloon, Hong Kong). He was born in Columbus, Miss., and grew up in Montgomery, Ala.

Robert Preston Dent Jr., missionary journeyman, has arrived on the field (address: P. O. Box 1416, Monrovia, Liberia). A native of Mississippi, he was born in Jackson and grew up in Holly Springs. Before he was employed by the Foreign Mission Board in July 1978, he was director of activities and youth at First Baptist Church, Holly Springs.

Loretta Reynolds, missionary journeyman, has arrived on the field (address: Box 5, West End, Tortola, B.V.I.). She is a native of Grove Hill, Ala. Before she was

employed by the Foreign Mission Board in July 1978, she was graduated from the University of Southern Mississippi, Hattiesburg.

Claudia Rae Tenney, missionary journeyman, has arrived on the field (address: Caixa 38, 57000 Maceio, AL Brazil). She was born in Bowling Green, Ohio, but considers Columbia, Miss., her hometown.

Randall Lewis Von Kanel, missionary journeyman, has arrived on the field (address: Box 1275, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands, BWI). A native of Mississippi, he was born in Macon and considers Pascagoula his hometown. Before he was employed by the Foreign Mission Board in July 1978, he was a voice instructor at William Carey College, Hattiesburg, Miss.

Malcolm and Jean Nichols, missionary associates to Korea, may be addressed at P. O. Box 76, Pusan 600, Korea. She was born in Meridian. He is a dentist.

Life and Work Lesson

The Key To Christian Fellowship

By Bill Duncan, Long Beach, First
Philippians 1:27-31

Do you ever try the wrong key to open the door? I have many keys that look alike. It is the exception if I get the right key for the church office door.

What do you think is the key to Christian fellowship? I have studied this question for several hours. The keys look alike. Very often we think the key is a meal. Sometimes we think it is laughter or a good time. Let us search our biblical passages for the right answer.

Paul was aware that there were evidences of disharmony and possible division in the Philippian church. A fly had gotten into the ointment. According to chapter 4, two women had fallen out with each other. The pity was that they were two women who had influence and worked hard in the church.

There may have been other problems, but here was at least a hint of an affair that had disrupted the fellowship — for it was well known in the church. To solve their problem and problems of others, Paul suggested Christmindedness, which is the answer to every rift that may occur among Christians.

In a church it is as with an orchestra where the instruments are in tune with one another only because each has been first tuned to standard pitch. Reconciliation among church members takes place quickly enough when each becomes attuned to Christ. Getting right and keeping right with Him is the Christian's first business.

The Challenge of Christian Conduct.
The KJV says "only let your conversation be as it becometh the gospel of Christ." We use the word "conversation" to mean a situation where people are talking. The fact is that the word has to do with citizenship, conduct, a way of life, or behavior pattern. A good paraphrase of Paul's idea is: "Make sure that your behavior as citizens adds up to the gospel you present." What a challenge!

The Christians are to be true to the principles of the gospel of Christ in all areas of life. One may ask himself, "Is it possible to be a Christian on the freeway during a rush hour?" The Gospel speaks of love as caring for the weakest and serving all. Because of a consistency breakdown, the church has been a sitting duck for many of her critics, and the message of the gospel

of Christ has suffered.

Be consistent with the gospel of Christ!

It is a gospel of love. There is no point in identifying with a church that preaches love from the pulpit if you are not going to project love in the parking lot.

It is a gospel of liberty. The watching world does not want to hear you thunder liberty from the pulpit while clanking the chains of prejudice and fear from your evangelical ankles.

Be persistent at all times. "... whether I come and see you, or else be absent, I may hear of your affairs..." (v. 27). It is a common human failing to behave one way around certain people and another when they are not present.

The characteristics of Christian conduct that Paul stresses are:

(1) Faithfulness in character (stickability), which is impressive to even the most severe critic

(2) Forcefulness (striving together) in behavior for the gospel, which shows that a little bit of enthusiasm goes a long way

(3) Fearlessness against adversaries as a living example of what God can do in a life.

The Need for Christian Conduct

Could it be that Christians have failed to realize how crucial is the need for correct interpersonal relationships with each other? The love of Christians for one another gives credibility to the message of God's love. Besides obscuring the evangelistic message, inter-Christian strife dissipates the energies of Christians.

The appeal to Christian conduct begins with the four-fold phrase, "if any." These characteristics mark the Christians' experience as genuine. These explanations show the immediacy of their fellowship and flood the whole of their being with the warmth of His love.

What would it take to fill Paul's cup of joy to overflowing? In Philippians 1:2-4, he identifies his thirst for unity, humility and love. The unity would come about as they looked at life from the same point of view.

The differences which mar our fellowship are attributable more to an unwillingness to see problems from another's viewpoint than from difficulties in the problems. Pride enters in to complicate matters because a man "loses face" when he surrenders

his position before others. Hence, the need for humility. Love is God's specific antidote for this malady of jealous strife, selfishness, and envy.

The Example of Christian Conduct

"Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus." In summary, "Now listen," Paul says, "have the attitude of Christ in your life."

In order to show the attitude, Paul first had to explain who Christ was. He was equal with God, but He did not feel that He ought to hang on to His equality with God. He laid aside His trapping of

glory to be made in the likeness of men and to step from deity into humanity.

In life He accepted the servant's place, entered a sinful world and adopted a selfless position. He was willing to bow the knee, wash the feet and die the death of a criminal for you and me. But the story does not end there. God had no intention of leaving Christ in the realm of death, for He exalted Him. The resurrection, the triumph of glory and the power speak of His coronation. Today, He has the Name.

You know the world, the church, and

Uniform Lesson

Consequences Of The Undisciplined Life

By Jackie Hamilton
Highland, Meridian

Some people get away with an undisciplined life for a period of time, but the principle of cause-and-effect still works. God's retribution sees to that.

Self-discipline begins with a thousand and one tries — and more. These are needed to develop such fortitude: instruction, teaching, guidance, and practice.

And yet, many of this generation have been reared on permissiveness. Parents were afraid to say "no" for fear of creating a neurosis or complex in the child.

What happens when life is undisciplined? The biblical passages that follow help us in facing this question.

I. The Consequences Of Unbelief (Romans 1:18-20, 24, 25)

The relationship with God, who is creator, immortal, the author of truth is the primary relationship for man. When this primary relationship is broken by hostility toward God, the result for mankind is idolatry — "images resembling mortal man, birds, animals, reptiles."

Note the striking similarity between Romans 1:18-23 and Proverbs, Chapter 13. Here, Paul makes use of some of the same arguments as does the Jewish writer of the Book of Wisdom, which was written in Alexandria in the Greek language somewhere in the

Second Century B.C.

Paul's argument continues. The false worship of idols sooner or later gives way — collapses. The leader upon whom hopes were founded finally proved incapable of fulfilling his followers' devotion.

The apostle reviews his thesis (verses 24-26) and then discusses the second relationship — man's self-understanding, his relationship with himself. The human being in broken relationship with the Creator finds his identity confused.

Paul employs lonely language in these self-awareness sentences, "God gave them up to their own desires" (1:26); and, "Receiving in their own persons" (1:27). The enterprise of setting up the "no God" is avenged by its success... our conduct becomes governed precisely by what we desire.

This is the raw material of tragedy: that people choose idols precisely in order to insure acceptance, power, success, and happiness. But in Paul's historical overview, every object of worship that we cling to for meaning will at the last spiral inwardly to the isolated results that verses 1:24-27 describe.

C. S. Lewis in his book, *The Great Divorce*, characterizes hell as that state of being where each person lives an infinite distance from every other person. Our sins and our idols do this to us.

Balinese New Testament Published For Churches

NEW YORK (RNS) — The American Bible Society announced here that the New Testament has been published in Balinese in its entirety for the first time. The project, begun in 1973, combined the efforts of the Balinese Protestant Church, the Roman Catholic Church in Bali, the Kemah

Injil Church and the Christian Life Foundation.

Translation of the Old Testament is expected to be completed by the early 1980s.

Balinese is spoken by 3 million people in Bali and in nearby areas of southeastern Java.

the community are in a mess, but do you know why? The reason for the mess is because everyone is sticking up for his own rights. We have a world populated by millions upon millions of people, all doing their own thing: Everyone does that which is right in his own eyes, and nobody is prepared to take the first step to humble himself and make himself available to others

instead of expecting others to be available to him.

If Jesus Christ was so great as a man, why don't we try being great — His way? Then we would accept the servant's place instead of wanting to be the boss. We would adopt a selfless position instead of being interested in "my own thing." This would create a great fellowship!



East Moss Point ladies' softball team won the 1978 Mississippi Women's church state softball championship.

East Moss Point Women Win State Softball Title

East Moss Point Ladies' Softball team won the Mississippi Women's Church State Softball Championship.

The tournament was held on July 28-29 at Bellview Park in Moss Point. Teams were entered from Pascagoula, Moss Point, Helena, Escatawpa, George County, Biloxi, and Meridian.

East Moss Point won the title by defeating Shady Grove, Lucedale, 11-1; Southside, Meridian, 10-7; Escatawpa, 15-6; and Arlington Heights Church 9-3 in the final.

Head Coach Paul Hembree said, "The girls wanted the title and worked hard to win it. It took a lot of personal determination and team effort. As far as I know, this is the first team to capture all three titles in one year."

The team was given the state trophy

and each member of the team and the coaches received individual trophies.

The team finished the year with a 20-1 record, winning the last 19 games.

Arlington Heights of Pascagoula came in second, Escatawpa came in third, and Southside Meridian came in fourth place.

The All-State team was selected by the coaches and umpires. They are: Ruth Sellers, Becky Allen, Sharon O'Bannon of East Moss Point, Diane Freeman, Bessie Davis, and Mary Kate Brown of Arlington Heights, Joyce Newell and Marlene Dunn of Southside and Suzy McNair and Nita Dees of Helena. All-Star coaches are Paul Hembree from East Moss Point and Gerie Dinwiddie from Arlington Heights.

Texas Baptists' Unit Provides Flood Relief

By Debbie Stewart

DALLAS (BP) — The Texas Baptist disaster relief unit has fed about 2,000 people daily in the tragic wake of flash floods from torrential rains that quenched the drought-stricken state Aug. 1-5.

Tropical Storm Amelia hurled her final fury at the hill country of Central Texas near Austin, and then around Albany in West Texas by dumping torrential rains that caused floods, that killed 27 people and destroyed hundreds of homes and businesses.

Even as the 10-20 inch rains continued in Central Texas, the 18-wheel mobile unit, manned by a trained task force of Texas Baptist Men, dispensed meals to homeless flood victims and relief workers in Kerrville in Central Texas. Three counties in the hill country, normally a tranquil setting of natural beauty for campers, and three West Texas counties, in the setting of ranches and small towns, were de-

clared federal disaster areas.

The relief unit responds in emergencies as part of the disaster relief program of the Baptist General Convention of Texas. Charles McLaughlin, chairman of the statewide Texas Baptist Disaster Relief Committee, said that the program also will assist Baptist churches to minister to the needs of people in both areas of flooding. The mobile unit had assisted in flood recovery in Austin, Minn., in late July.

Bob Dixon, director of Texas Baptist Men, led the crew of volunteers and members of his staff.

Members of the Texas Baptist Convention staff, associational staffs, pastors and laymen cooperated in the recovery work with other church groups and state officials. The final meal served by the Baptist unit in Kerrville was to Mennonite relief workers staying at a Methodist camp.

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Sounds Of Joy To Sing At Madison

The SOUNDS OF JOY, a Christian singing group from Pensacola, Fla., will present a concert of contemporary Christian music on Sept. 3 at 7 p.m. at the Madison Church, Madison, Ms.

The SOUNDS OF JOY is a musical outreach of SuArt Ministries, Inc., a non-profit Christian organization that was started by Art Crane, designed to encourage young people to use their talents for God.

The musical repertoire blends the old hymns of the faith and the contemporary sounds of today.

The SOUNDS OF JOY travels extensively throughout the southern and eastern United States.

THE SOUNDS OF JOY recorded their first album in Nashville in March.

A juvenile delinquent is a youngster who has been given a free hand but not in the proper place.



Venezuela Mission

The College Ensemble (pictured above), instrumentalists, and college handball units of First Church, Hattiesburg, have completed a mission tour to Venezuela. In addition to singing in schools and churches, the group sang for the First Venezuelan Conference on Evangelism and built instrumental background tapes for use with the mission's radio ministry. The background tapes will be used throughout the Central American Mission area. The ensemble members are: (1st row, top to bottom) Kathy Hawkins, Kay Otwell, Sharon Smith, Lynn Brett, and Lynda Wells. (2nd row, top to bottom) Beverly Lawrence, Sandra Knowles, Marie Clement, and Laura Myers. (3rd row, top to bottom) Billy Ogletree, Douglas Breland, Mike Miller, Mike Gentry, and Theresa Garces. Also assisting in the recording were Mr. and Mrs. Maurice McWhorter, Mrs. W. M. Breland, Jr., Bryan Hayes, Mrs. Joseph Ernest, and Mrs. Douglas Vardaman. The group was under direction of James Hayes, minister of music. Brooks Wester is pastor of First, Hattiesburg.

Devotional For Lack Of Love

By Larry Kennedy, First, Laurel

It is very important that we love our children and the people around us. James Dobson, a child psychologist, has written the following: "His life began with all the classic handicaps and disadvantages. His mother was powerfully built, a domineering woman, who found it difficult to love anyone. She had been married three times. In his early childhood she gave him no affection, no love, no discipline, no training. He was absolutely rejected from his earliest childhood. He was ugly, untrained, and unlovable."



Kennedy

"When he was 13 the school psychologist described him as not knowing the meaning of the word love. During adolescence, the girls would have nothing to do with him and he fought with boys. Despite a high IQ he failed academically. He thought he might find acceptance in military service so he dropped out of high school and joined the Marines. The

Marines laughed at him and ridiculed him. "Absolutely friendless and shipwrecked, he left for a foreign country. There he had no talent, no skill, no sense of worthiness. He couldn't even acquire a driver's license. He married a foreign girl who was herself an illegitimate child. He brought her back to the United States. She bore him two children. But soon she began to develop for him the same contempt everyone else displayed, and finally drove him away."

"In loneliness he came to...er one night and begged her to receive him back. He brought her a gift of \$78, all the money he had. He told her to spend it in any way she wanted. She mocked him. Finally on his knees he begged, wept, and pleaded for her to take him back. She wouldn't."

"Something happened to him at that moment. He got up a changed man. He walked out of that house and the next morning went to work at his newly acquired job. There on the sixth floor of a book bindery on the afternoon of November 22, 1963, Lee Harvey Oswald took a gun from hiding and sent shells crashing into the head of President Kennedy."

Off The Record

The young bride proudly placed her first turkey on the dinner table.

"Ah, that looks wonderful," said her husband. "What did you stuff it with?"

"Stuff it? Why, darling, this one wasn't hollow!"

Asked to summarize in a paragraph what will happen upon the return of Jesus, one little girl wrote, "When He comes back, it will bring many people great joy. Some will be reunited with their loved ones in heaven. Others with their husbands."

Pat and Mike are in a restaurant eating under the "Watch Your Hat and Overcoat" sign. Pat keeps turning every minute, nearly choking on his food, to look at his overcoat.

Mike keeps on eating, paying no attention to his own coat on the hook. But Pat's eternal twisting annoys him, and finally Mike says, "You dope, stop watching our overcoats!"

Pat says, "I'm only watching mine — yours has been gone for half an hour!"